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Whitehall Jan.y 3d. 1756

My Lords,

I send your Lordships the inclosed Copy of a Memorial, which has been delivered to me by Mr. Sher.-crombie, Agent for Virginia, and North Carolina, refer.-ring to the inclosed Address and Representation from the Council and House of Burgesses of Virginia, trans.-mitted Here, some time ago, by Lieut. Govr. Dinwiddie; The Services that have been performed, and the Expences Incurred by the said Colonies, as also their present distressed Situation, being therein set forth, I am commanded to signify to your Lordships His Majestys Pleasure, that you should take the said Papers into Your Consideration, and report your [p.2] Opinion, How far It may be advisable that a pe.-cuniary Aid, to be given to Virginia, and the other Southern Provinces, should be proposed this Session of Parliament, in consideration of their great Expences, and to encourage and enable them the better to defend His Majesty's just Rights, & Possessions.

I am, My Lords,

Your Lordships

most obedient

humble Servant

W. Pitt,

Lords of Trade.

[Pm.] Endorsed. Virginia — North Carolina / Letter from yᵉ Right Honᵇˡᵉ / William Pitt Esqʳ Secretary of / State, dated yᵉ 3ᵈ of Janʳʸ 1757. / referring to the Consideration of / this Board the following Papers / viz. / desiring the Bᵈˢ opinion / how far it might be advisable / to propose for Parliamᵗ to give a / Pecuniary Aid to the Southern / Colonys in consideration of their / Expence &c to encourage them to / defend H M Rights &c possessions. / Recᵈ Janʳʸ 11th 1757. / Read — 11 / IX 1.

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To The Right Honorable William Pitt [R5]
Esquire one of His Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State

The Memorial of James Abercromby
Agent for Virginia, & North Carolina

Humbly Sheweth

That last Session of Parliament, while His Majesty's Most Gracious Message, to the Honourable House of Commons, for enabling His Majesty to give such Assistance to the American Colonies, as might Reward, & Encourage them, to act in Defence of His Majesty's just Rights and Possessions, was under Consideration, Your Memorialist did then apply to His Majesty's Ministers, in behalf of the Province of Virginia, & North Carolina, And in so far as that, these two Provinces, were the first, who did act in the National Cause, Your Memorialist did thereupon conceive Hopes [p 6] that the Parliament / had thought them deserving of some Share of National Favour, adequate to their Respective Services, But so it is, That the Province of Virginia by a Continuation of Supplys, from the Year 1753 - till now, and having suffered, far beyond any other Province, in North America, in Point of Expence, and of Blood, and finding itself no longer able to carry on its Armaments, without farther Encouragement from this Kingdom, The Council and Burgesses of Virginia have

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thereupon, most Humbly Remonstrated their Case to His Majesty, which Remonstrance, together with an Address to His Majesty, so long ago, as in August last, came into the Hands of His Majesty's then Secretary of State, for the American Department, and to which said Remonstrance, & Address, Your Memorialist begs leave to refer, and prays that
[P.7] the same may be taken into / Consideration.

And with Regard to the Province of North Carolina, Your Memorialist takes the Liberty to re-monstrate, that Poor, as the Inhabitants are, less im-mediately exposed, as their Frontiers are, than some others, nevertheless, such is its Zeal for His Majesty's Service, that, of all others, it has shewn itself the most Active, and Ready, according to their Abilities, not meditating in their Council & Assembly how far the Enemy was from their Borders, far from deliberating, as to the National Right of Possession, as soon as Requisition was made by the Governor of Virginia for Assistance, than, the same was sent him, far from deliberating in their Arma-ments, on Points, when, where, and under whose Command to act, The Opperations, under the Earl of Loudoun, (however Remote from their Province) are no
[P.8] sooner known, than four Companies / are sent to his Assistance, an Expence arising from such their Publick

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Spirited Measures, having involved them into Diffi-
-culties, (so circumstanced as the Inhabitants are)
not to be got the better of, without some Pecuniary
Aid, and Relief from this Kingdom, under such
Meritorious Circumstances, Your Memorialist com.d
Instructed to solicit His Majesty's Favor, in Behalf
of the Province of North Carolina, whose Case,
together with that of Virginia, Your Memorialist
humbly begs, you will be pleased to lay before
His Majesty for His Royal Consideration.

And Your Memorialist &c.a &c.a

Ja: Abercromby

Endorsed. Virginia — North Carolina
of Mr Abercrombie Agent

Memorial for
North Carolina
& Virginia [relating to
the Services performed by those
Colonys in defence of His
Majestys Territorys]
[in another hand]
Rec.d with Mr Secretary
Pitt's Lett.r dated [y.e 8.th Jan.y
1757.]
Rec.d Jan.y y.e (2nd) } 1757.
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To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The Representation of the Council & Burgesses of Virginia,

Humbly sheweth.

That in the year 1753 the Honble Robert Dinwiddie Esquire Lieutenant Governor & Commander in Chief of the Colony in Obedience to His Majesty's Orde. sent out George Washington Esqr to the River Ohio, to enquire into and demand the Reasons for the Build. ing of certain Forts by the Subjects of the French King, on that River, & finding on his Return a pre. tended Right to those Lands set up by the French, his Honor represented to the general Assembly of the Colony the manifest Violation of His Majesty's indu. bitable Right to those Lands by such Claim, Who, ever regardful of His Maty's Interest connected with that of the Crown of Great Britain altho' in a low Condition from the mean Estate of their staple Commodity granted /a Supply of £10,000 for the [R.1] raising such a Number of Forces as might check the Designs of the French, & repel their Attempts. But finding these their Endeavours ineffectual to such Purposes & that the Enemy by alienating the Friendship of His Maty's Indian Allies, in that Neighbourhood had not only strengthened themselves but extended the designs against this Colony & all

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other His Majesty's American Dominions by driving the Subjects of Great Britain from a Fort erected there by His Majtys Order, & from their Settlements on the adjacent Lands the General Assembly granted a further Supply in 1754 of £20,000 for encreasing the Number of Forces necessary for His Majesty's Service, subjecting themselves for that Purpose to a Poll Tax, at the same Time that their Staple continued so low as to make it very grievous to the Inhabitants, & of Course very defective in its Collection, which they were sufficiently convinced of in 1755 / when they were obliged in Aid of that [p.13] Deficiency to grant a further Sum of £10,000, & emit a Paper Currency of £20,000 for the immediate Use of the Forces.

That in the same year 1756 these Forces thus raised made a Part of those Troops which were led out by General Braddock against the Fort possessed by the French & called du Quesne, & were greatly diminished in that unhappy Battle on the Monongahela in which the Enemy remained Masters of the Field all the Artillery & other Implements of War. Upon this Defeat the Forces that survived of the Regiments sent to this Colony from Great Britain together with the several independant Companies, which had been ordered from New York, & South

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Carolina for the Protection of this Country in patticu-
-lar were marched away without the Orders of
the Commanding Officer & against the pressing
Remonstrances of the Lieut: Govr into Philadelphia
under the Command if / Col. Dunbar, & the whole
back Territory of the Colony left almost defenceless, &
open to a victorious Enemy assisted by numberless
Savages.

The General Assembly in hopes to provide a-
-gainst such apparent Danger emitted a further
Sum of £ 40,000 imposing a further Poll Tax with
the additional Burthen of a Land Tax for Four
Years, notwithstanding the Colony laboured un-
-der such a severe Drought as that greatly des-
-troyed the common Produce of their Land.
And to the End that Forces might be raised
for His Majesty's Service every Method consistent
with such an expedition was pursued that
might encourage the inlisting of 1200 Men to
act defensively for the Security of the Frontier
Part of the Colony during the Winter Season.
But the Enemy having soon recovered in some
Measure the defeat they had sustained from His
Maty's Northern Forces under the Command of
General Johnson the Colony of Virginia felt in a
most severe and barbarous Manner a Resentment for

[p2] / the Losses they have suffered in that Battle pecu-
-liar to no Nation but that of France, corrupted
by an unnatural & savage blood. The Indians, that
had been by the devilish Machinations of the Ene-
-my debauched from His Maty's Interest were sent
out in many small Parties under French Com-
-manders on the Frontiers of this Colony, & like
Beasts ravenous as Wolves they made a Prey of
Numbers of the Inhabitants sparing neither Age
nor Sex but subjecting all they met to every
unheard of Cruelty so that Words cannot convey
to a Christian Mind, an Idea adequate to their
Sufferings. As such a Treatment must necessari-
-ly throw the helpless into a desponding Fear
whole Territories have been deserted by His Maty's
unhappy Subjects, & altho' every active Endeavor
has not been wanting to cut off these merciless
Brutes, yet from a Subtility peculiar to those who
practice Brutality & from their intimate Acquaintance
[p 16] with / the Woods, mountainous & Rocky Parts of the Co-
-lony every thing seems to be ineffectual, & the Coun-
-try there become a deserted Waste; whilst these
Successes have so emboldened the Enemy as to
gain them by means of their skulking Parties Pos-
-session of a Tract of several Millions of Acres within
the known Inhabitants in 1753.

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The dangerous situation of the Colony making it at this time further necessary to provide vigorously for its defence, the General Assembly notwithstanding the heavy Taxes that the People labour under from the levying of the before mentioned Sums have passed another Act for the emitting of £26,000 redeemable by encreasing the Land Tax & Poll Tax, & that the Troops may be effectually augmented for the Defence of the Country, they have likewise passed an Act to compel a Part of the Militia by Lott to enter as Soldiers: Add to this the insur-
-mountable Charge that they are at for the [p.17]
Support of a large Draught / of the Militia now necessarily ordered out for the Defence of the Co-
-lony against this dangerous Invasion which can not amount to a Sum less than 15 or £16,000 p. Month for which purpose the general assembly have passed another Act for emitting the further Sum of £30,000 redeemable by a Poll Tax.

They further beg Leave to represent to His Majesty, that at the same Time that the Colony, have chearfully taken these Burdens upon themselves they are by Law bound to relieve certain Sufferers by late Fires that have

happened in some of the publick Warehouses whereby there is a further Charge of £10,000 added to the beforementioned Load of Debts; & by a late Treaty between His Majesty & the Cherokee Nation, it is stipulated that a strong Fortress shall be built on the Part of His Maty in that Country for their Security against the French when they are marched out to His Majesty's Assistance. And as the preserving the Friend-
ship of these People in the British Interest will be of infinite Service to these His Maty's Southern Colo-
nies, the General Assembly have in a great Measure taken the Execution of this Article of the Treaty on themselves which must be attended with large Expences by Reason of the distant & mountainous Passage to that Country & the Number of Artificers that must necessarily be sent out on that Work.

They further beg Leave to represent to His Majesty that by an Importation of upwards of 1100 French Neutrals from Nova Scotia after having maintained them a considerable Time the Colony have been under a Necessity of transporting these People to Great Britain, or be otherwise exposed in this Time of Distress to a Set of People that must from their principles & Religion be inclined to take every Advantage of any Confusion that the Country might fall into, which will be an Expence

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very little short of £6,000. Add to this the constant [p19]
Charge they have hitherto laboured under of support-
-ing not only the Fort called Fort Cumberland which
(altho' built in the Maryland Government) has
been almost wholly garrisoned by Virginia, ~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible]~~ but also sundry other Forts, that
do now appear absolutely necessary to be built for
the future Protection of this Colony whenever the
Enemy shall be removed from our Frontiers & they
further beg Leave to represent to his Maty that
these Taxes are the more grievous, as they are
born wholly by the People of this Colony una-
-sisted by the two neighbouring Proprietary Provinces
of Maryland & Pensylvania altho' their Safety is equally
connected with that of this Colony.

This may it please your Maty is the
faithful Representation of the present Circumstances [p20]
and Situation of this your Colony, who have
We hope by every Step taken convinced your Maty
of their early Zeal for your Maty's Service & constant En-
-deavours to preserve this Colony to the Crown of Great
Britain, And altho' the Enemy have hitherto been suc-
-cessful, yet those Successes have not proceeded from
any Want of personal Bravery or Vigorous Efforts in
your Subjects here to repel them but owing to their
Numbers & Alliances contracted by them at a Time when

nothing amongst us was heard of but Peace & Tranquility.

And from such a Representation founded on incontestable Facts, We flatter ourselves that your Matty will think that the Colony of Virginia is not only the proper Object of your Royal Compassion but also of the British parliament, when they shall reflect that without some timely Relief, not only the Lives of their Fellow Subjects must add to the unhap-
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-py Catastrophe but also that this inestimable Land may become the Property of another Nation.

And here we beg Leave with all humility & Duty to recommend to your Matty's Royal Favour the several Officers of the Forces employed by this Colony in your Matty's Service, who have hitherto bravely encountered the Dangers of War & sustained the Fatigues of opposing the Enemy's thereby greatly merited the Esteem of the Country.

For the Council

John Blair

John Robinson Speaker.

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Endorsed. Virginia / Reprentation of / the Coun-
.cil & / Burgesses of / Virginia: to H M /
[relating to the Money and / Men raised there for
the defence of / H M Territorys.] /
Rec.d with Mr. Secretary / Pitt's Lett.r dated 3.d Jan.ry 1757. /
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Copy To the Kings most Excellent Majesty, [p 23]

The humble Address of the Council
and Burgesses of Virginia,

Most gracious Sovereign,

We your Majestys most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Council and Burgesses of Virginia, now met in General Assembly, humbly beg leave to approach your sacred Throne, with the strongest Assurances of Our inviolable attachment to Your Royal Person and illustrious House. And as We have constantly experienced Your Majestys paternal Care for your people of this Colony, We cannot but flatter ourselves that Your Majesty will favourably receive the Representation, that We, compelled | by [p 24]
Our great Necessity do ardently desire may be laid before Your Majesty, of the unhappy and dangerous Situation of this Your Dominion. And we further persuade Ourselves that Your Majesty will be so far affected with Our inexpressible Distress, as to order us such timely and gracious Assistance, as will, under God, not only effectually remove Our too well grounded Apprehensions, relieve us in Our miserable and depressed Circumstances, but also restore that Peace and Tranquility to Us, which We have without Interruption enjoyed, under Your mild and

glorious Reign, until this cruel and barbarous
Invasion of that insatiable and common Enemy.

In behalf of the Council

John Blair.

John Robinson, Speaker.

[Endorsed.] Endorsed. Virginia. / Address from the / Coun-
cil & Burgesses / of Virginia, [to the / King / Majesty.] / (Copy.) /
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To the Right Honble The Lords Commissioners for Trade & Plantations

An Account of Mony and Supplys granted by the Province of Virginia.

for carrying on His Majesty's service, agt the Enemy.

			Pro
Inv... 1753	To defend the Frontiers.....	£	10,000...
1754	To raise men to assist Genl Braddock....		20,000..
1755	On General Braddock's defeat, to raise 1200 men now Coll Washingtons Regiment		40,000..
	For the further Support of these Troops		25,000..
1756	To support the Militia drawn[illegible] by Lott, for Service.....		30,000..
		£	125,000.--

Which sum of £125,000 Pro. mony at the current rate of Pro money in America is equal to.....£100,000 Sterl.

Besides these Specifick Sums, so granted, the General Assembly, to secure the Friendship of the **Cherokee** Indians by Treaty with them, provided, for the Expence of erecting a Fort amongst them, which Expence, must have been very considerable. **Also** pro-vided, for maintaing 1100 French Neutrals, till sent home, the Expence above £6000. **Add** to this, the Constant Charge to Virginia, for Supporting **Fort Cumberland**, which tho' built in Maryland, has almost been wholly Garri-

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[149] -soned by Virginia, also several / other Forts, that do now appear absolutly necessary, for protecting the Fron-
-tiers, Considering also, that almost the whole Burthen of the War for Defence of the Middle Frontiers of our Colonies, from the beginning has been borne by Vir-
-ginia alone, at a moderate Estimation, including Extraordinarys the whole Supplys granted by Virginia may be rated at the sum of £120,000, Sterling. A Sum far exceeding that granted by any other Colony, perhaps not far short of that granted by the whole together, and which becomes the more mer-
-torious, considering how much the Province has been harrassed, their Frontiers depopulated, their Staple Commodity greatly reduced, and Numbers of their bravest people with their Officers slain in Battle at the Mohongela, & on other Attacks of the Enemy.

Jas Abercromby

January 12th 1757.

[150] Endorsed. Virginia / account of Monies / granted by the Colony / of Virginia for carrying / on His Majesty's Ser-
-vice / agt. the Enemy in the years / 1754, 1755 & 1756. /
Recd from James / Abercrombie Esqr. / Recd January 12. / Read do_ } 1757. /
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Williamsburg Sept.r 2d. 1756

Right Hon.ble

Your Letter of the 11th of May was forwarded me by the Right Honble the Earl of Loudoun; his Arrival to Command the Forces on this Continent, gave me much Pleasure as a Person so well known in Military Affairs was greatly wanted here; and every Thing in my Power shall be done to assist in executing the Plans laid down by His Majesty, for support of the Dignity of his Crown, and the Safety of His Dominions and Subjects on this Continent, and at all Times give due Attention to the Commands and Orders of Lord Loudoun.

I lately have a Letter from His Lordship with the melancholy News of the important Fortress of Oswego being taken by the French, a Loss that must be very grievous to these Colonies, as it takes from us the Command of the Lakes, great Quantity of Provisions and Ammunition lodged there; and I wish it may not withdraw the Six Nations of Indians from our Interest, for they are like more polite Nations ready to join with those they think the strongest; His Lordship did not write me by what Misconduct we lost that important Place, but no doubt he has wrote the Particulars thereof Home.

He says. if properly supplied with Levies, he does not doubt of being able to wrest it out of their Hands, and presses me earnestly to supply him with Recruits, to compleat the Royal American Regiment under his immediate Command. — On receipt of his Letter I immediately called the Assembly to form a Law to facilitate the raising of Men, agreeable to His Lordship's Request; inclos'd take the Liberty of sending You my Speech to them, and their Addresses to me. by which You may observe the Temper they are in; they are now sitting, and I shall continue my earnest Solicitation with them to do what becomes now absolutely necessary; the Ship that carries this being ready to depart, will prevent my giving You a proper Account of the Issue of my Applications, but shall by next write You more fully.

Flying Parties of the Enemy continue harassing our Frontiers, but as I have ordered a String of Forts to be built I am in hopes we shall be able to keep them at a Distance, but am of Opinion, they will continue their Murders and Roberries, till an Expedition is formed to attack and drive them from the Ohio, which I have represented to Lord Loudoun in the strongest Manner.

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I sent out an Officer with eighty Artificers and Labourers to construct a Fort in the Upper Cherokee Country, which is finished to the Satisfaction of those Indians, and they have engaged to send in here four hundred of their Warriors, to protect our Frontiers, and to be sent against the Enemy; the retaining of those People to our Interest is an essential piece of Service at this Time, as the French have been long endeavouring to get them from us.

Lord Loudoun's arrival so late in the Year, and I fear he did not find the Affairs of the Army in such good Order as he probably expected, I fear will prevent his doing much this Fall, but providing Affairs in the Winter Months to begin the Campaign by taking the Field early in the Spring, I hope will have the desired Effect, by giving them a Blow before any Reinforcements can come from France, which I presume Endeavours will be used by a Squadron of Ships at Nova Scotia to prevent Supplies.

I think my Lord is sensible of my Inclination and Resolution to do every Thing in my Power; though I am in a bad State of Health, being seiz'd with a Paraletic Disorder that gives me great Uneasiness.

I hope Your Lordship will excuse the Length of this Letter; it gives me a Satisfaction to write You the Occurrences here, I wish they were more agreeable, yet I doubt not next Summer will afford a Change in our Affairs.

I remain with grateful Respects, and dutiful Regards

Right Hon.ble

Your Lordships

most obedient and

faithful humble Servant

Robt Dinwiddie

R.t Honble Earl of Halifax.

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Endorsed. Virginia. / Letter from Rob.t Dinwiddie Esq.r / Lieut Gov.r & Commander in Chief / of Virginia, dated Williams: burg / y.e 24.th Sept.br 1756, giving an account / of the State of Affairs in that / Colony. / Rec.d Dec.br y.e ...} 1756. / Read Janry 26 } 57 / N. 6. / With two Papers.

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[Printed Speech of Lt. Govr. Dinwiddie to the [P32]
General Assembly, 20 Sept. 1756.

Printed Address of the Council and Assembly [P33]
to the Governor, 22 Sept. 1756.
with his answer.

Printed Address of the House of Burgesses [P40]
to the Governor, same date.
with his answer]

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Williamsburg Nov.r 9th 1756 [N.S.]

Right Hon.ble

Indos'd You have the Entries inwards & outwards for last six Months ending at Michaelmas — As also an Act pass'd last Assembly voting eight Thousand Pounds to qualify me to raise Recruits for the Royal American Regiment — Three thousand Pounds for providing Necessaries for a Number of Cherokee Warriors expected me to our Assistance — and two thousand Pounds, to enable me to send Men to garrison the Fort built in the Cherokee Country.

As the French from Mississippi have been tampering with the Creeks, Chickesaws, and Chocktaws, to leave our Interest and join the French, and some of the Creeks arrived in the Cherokee Country, to prevail with them to do the same, which makes much Confusion among the Cherokees. and put a Stop to their sending their Warriors to our Assistance, agreeable to Treaty & their repeated Promises; I therefore defer sending Men to garrison the Fort we built there till I am sure of their Intentions, and sending in a Number of their Warriors for the protection of our Frontiers, and marching against our Enemies.

I have no Account from Lord Loudoun for above one Month, but by a Letter from New York, they say the two Armies were very near each other, and an Engagement was daily expected — pray God grant Success to His Majesty's Arms.

We are at present pretty easy on our Fron-tiers, though we expect flying Parties of the Indians all this Winter, we are very well provided by our Regiment and Militia to repell their Invasions.

The Inhabitants of this Dominion have this Year begun the Raising and manufactring [Pur] Indigo, and have the Prospect of succeeding very well, but I am perswading them to keep up to their Sta-ple of Tobacco, as it is a National Benefit, both as to Duty, and the employing a great deal of Navigation, which they certainly will do, & produce double the Quantity consumed in Great Britain, therefore His Majes-tys Duties will not be lessened.

I desire, with due Respects, to assure You that I remain

Right Honble

Your faithful, obedient &
most humble Servant

Robt Dinwiddie.

Right Hons Lords for Trade &c.

Endorsed.

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Endorsed. Virginia. / Letter from Robt. Dinwiddie / Esqr. Lieut. Govr. of Virginia, to / the Board, dated Williams-burg, / 9th of Novr. 1756, inclosing / 9 Entries Inwards & Outwards, / within that Colony for the last / Six Months, ending at Michmas / 1756, & transmitting an Act / passed there in September, for / raising Recruits for His Majesty's / Service, & for other Purposes / therein mentioned. / Recd Jany 4th } 1757 / X. 9.
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Williamsburg Janry 14th 1754. [R.No 5]

Right Honble

Inclosed I send You Copy of my last by the Lady Augusta Packet, which hope came safe to hand, but in Case of Miscarriage I send Copy, with Duplicate of Entries inwards & outwards in this Dominion.

I also send You enclosed the Account of His Majesty's Revenue of Quit Rents for the Year 1753 Ballance due 9507.15.8 — And also the Account of the two Shilling p.o hhd Revenue Ballance only 13.15.10, & the Contingent Charges since that Account brings that Revenue much in Debt, & puts me under Difficulties how to support & conduct the Service, without a Fund to pay the Expences absolutely necessary for supporting it with Spirit — I have wrote to the Lords of the Treasury, if they should think it proper to grant a Warrant to be paid from His Majesty's Quit Rents, till the other Fund becomes able to answer the Contingent Expences.

[I think it my indispensable Duty to represent the present State of this Country — The Entrance from Sea is between Cape Henry & Cape Charles, to the great Bay of Chesapeake, in which is included Virginia & Maryland; both open Countries; without any Fortifications to defend them from any

Assaults of the Enemy, & only one twenty Gun Ship appointed on this Station for Defence of both Colonies; — a few French Ships of War, may Privateers, may ruin the Plantations & carry off many Slaves & entirely take or destroy all the trading Vessells.

The two Colonies of Virginia and Maryland, are supposed to make at least 100,000 Hogsheads of Tobacco this Year, besides large Quantities of Grain, Pork, & other Produce; and I doubt not Your Lordship's will think with me, that these Colonies require & deserve / a better Protection than one single twenty Gun Ship, — It is my Duty to represent these Things, & I hope You will be so good, for His Majesty's Service & our Protection, to have a proper number of Ships sent to this Station, which I must submit to Your Lordships.]

I have sent an Officer to the Cherokee Indians to put them in mind of the Treaty; & to send in here a Number of their Warriors; when he returns, shall acquaint You with their Answer — No doubt Lord Loudoun writes on the Affairs to the Northward, I have no Letter from him since 25th October.

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We are at present pretty easy here from any Invasions from the Enemy, but I am oblig'd to keep our Forces on the Frontiers by way of Defence; & to support the poor Inhabitants.

I remain with great Deference and due Respects —

Your Lordships

most obedt humble Servant

Robt Dinwiddie.

Lords for Trade &c.ª

Endorsed. Virginia. / Letter from Lieut. Govr (No 45)
Dinwiddie / to the Board, dated Williamsburg 4th / 4th Jany 1757, representing the / present State of that Country, and / inclosing (besides Duplicate of / his last Letters & Papers) the / following Accounts of yr Revenue / in that Colony. / X. 10. /
Recd March 3d } 1757.
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Williamsburg May 16th 1757. [No 63]

Right Honble

By this Conveyance I transmit to Your Lordship's the Naval Officers List of Entries Inwards & Outwards from the different Districts in this Dominion — As also the account of His Majesty's Revenue of 2/— p Hogshead on Tobacco exported from this, which account You may observe is in debt to the Rect General £1283. 7. — chiefly owing to an Embargo laid on all Shipping by Order of the Earl of Loudoun, & the Contingent Charges which run pretty high these troublesome Times.

I am in daily hopes of hearing of the Arrival of the Forces from Britain, for conducting the Expedition against the Enemies of the Crown, the Season advances fast & I think full Time they shou'd be in Motion & I hope with good Success.

I have had near 400 Indians from the Catawbas, Cherokees & Tuscaroras, I order'd them out with some of our Forces to observe the Motions of the Enemy, protect our Frontiers, & to go a Scalp-ing agreeable to the French Custom; but Indians in general are of such a wandering Disposition that they will not continue long in a Place; many of the Catawbas & Tuscaroras return'd here in their Way to their own Nation; I am endeavouring to prevail on some of them

to return to our Frontiers, & I would fain hope to succeed, which must be done by Presents

I waited on Lord Loudoun at Phila-
-delphia with other of the Southern Governors to concert Measures for Protection of these Colonies, during the Time he is engaged in the Opera-
-tions to the Northward; the Affairs agreed on then I presume his Lordship transmitted Home, in Consequence thereof I am sending some of our Men to the Assistance of South Carolina, which is threatned with an Invasion from Mississippi.

My Health has been so much impair'd that I have not been able to discharge the Requisites of my Appointment in such Manner as the present Situation of Affairs requires; I have therefore wrote to the Secretary of State to pro-
-cure His Majesty's royal Leave to come Home for recovery of my Health, which I hope will meet with Your Lordships Approbation & Concurrence.

[p62] With great Deference, due Respects, & in great Truth. I Remain

Right Honble

Your Lordship's faithful &
obedient hble Servant

Robt Dinwiddie

R! Hon! Lords for Trade &c.

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[No 6.]

Endorsed. Virginia. / Letter from Robt Dinwiddie Esqr. / Lieut. Govr. & Commander in Chieff / the Colony of Virginia, to the Board, / dated Williamsburg ye 16th May, 1754. / acquainting them, that he has writ to the / Secretary of State, to procure His Majestys Royal Leave to come home, for ye Recovery / of his Health, which is much impair'd: - / And transmitting publick Papers, / viz. (two) / Recd June 21st / Read — 28th } 1754. / Two Papers

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Williamsburg May 16th 1757. [N.Y.3]

My Lord

I did myself the Honor of writing You from Philadelphia the 22d of March, by the Packet from New York, and Duplicate by another Ship, I hope it came safe to hand and I humbly desire to be referd thereto: — In that Letter I wrote for Your Lordship's Interest to procure me his Majestys Leave to go Home for recovery of my Health, which is greatly impaird, and I acknowledge I cannot discharge the Requisites of my Appointment in such Manner as is proper at this precarious Time, and I now entreat Your Lordship's Favor in obtaining Leave to go Home.

No doubt Lord Loudoun wrote Home the Disposition he had formed for the Protection of the Southern Colonies, during the Time he was employd in executing the Plan of Operations to the Northward. — In consequence thereof I am now to transport from this two hundred Men for South Carolina, and I propose sending two hundred more as soon as they can be recruited; as that Province is threatned with an Invasion from the Mississippi and by Lord Loudoun's Order I send one hundred Barrels of Gun Powder & three Tons of Lead.

There is now come to our Assistance four hundred Indians, of the Catawba, Cherokee & Tuscarora Tribes; I have ordered them out in Parties with some of our Men, to discover the Motions of the Enemy & to scalp those they can overcome, — a barbarous Method of conducting War, introduced by the French, which we are obliged to follow in our own defence; these Indians are of a wandering Disposition, & will not be confined long to one Place, or will they be from their Nation above three Months; many of the Catawbas & Tuscaroras are returned here in their Way home; I am endeavouring with them to have a Party return to join our People on the Frontiers, & I am in hopes of succeeding. They are extremely expensive in Cloathing, Maintenance and Presents, which makes Uneasiness among our People, as they say its for the Service of the whole the others should bear their Share, but till a Coalition & some Amendments to some of their Constitutions, it cannot succeed; which I must now refer till I have the Honor of seeing Your Lordship.

The Assembly of this Dominion is now sitting, I take the Liberty of sending You a printed Copy of my Speech & their Addresses to me, by

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which You may observe they are in pretty/good Temper, (P7-)
& I will do all in my Power to keep up their
Spirits to raise Money for the Public Service.

I have a Letter from Lord Loudoun the
28th Ult.o from New York, he does not mention the
Arrival of the Forces from Britain; but I hope by
this Time they are arrived as the Season of the
Year advances apace for taking the Field.

This Colony & Maryland is very ill pro-
-tected, only one twenty Gun Ship, & she is gone
to New York, & employd in conveying Men &
Stores ye.a for South Carolina; — I believe these two
Colonies will at least ship 100,000 Hogsheads of Tobacco
this Year, & I think are of great Consequence to
the Nation; I judge it my Duty to represent this
to Mr. Pitt the Secretary of State, in hopes that
by Application to the Admiralty, they will consider
the Necessity of sending some more Ships.

I have Nothing further to trouble Your
Lordship with that to assure You, with great
Deference, Gratitude & Respect

I remain

Right Honble

Your Lordships faithful and
most obedt hble Servant

Robt Dinwiddie.

Rt. Hon.r Earl of Halifax.

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To The Right Honb.e the Lord Commissioners [illegible]
of Trade and Plantations.

The Memorial of Caleb Lamb.

Most Humbly Sheweth.

That Your Lordships Memorialest Was a Trader on the River Ohio. and being drove from his house about three miles from Fort Duequene with the Loss of all his Effects, Assisted Coll.o Washington until his Defeat, and afterwards was a Guide to General Braddock where he Received five Defferent Wounds, as is well known to Capt.n Orme and the Rest of the Gentlemen of the Army — He takes the Liberty of Sending your Lordships an Authenticke Acct. of the Losses he Sustain'd by the French and Indians which he humbly Offers to your Lordships perusal —

He Humbly begs your Lordships Redress and Protection which he will ever Acknowledge as a most Singular favour —

Caleb Lamb

[illegible]

I do Certify that the above Caleb Lamb was one of the Guides to Gen.l Braddock.

R Burton L.t Col.o
48th Regim.t

C.O. 5 : 1329

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An Accoumpt of the Losses Caleb Lamb sustaind by [Dr.] the Depredations of the French on the River Ohio, and debts due by the Indians which are now Irrecoverable by Means of the Subjects of the French King Seducing those Indians from there Elegience to his Majesty King George from the Year 1749 to 1754 —

Indian Names Viz — Pensylva Currancy

To Sophoughway To Goods for	164	Bucks Skines	@	7/6	61.	10. -
To the Yoropine To Ditto for	125	Ditto	@	7/6	46.	17. 6.
To Schoconnnie	7	Ditto	@	7/6	2.	12. 6.
To Killbuck	22	Ditto	@	7/6	8.	5. -
To Benj. Dickeson	138	Ditto	@	7/6	51.	15. -
To Jamey Linguineur	28	Ditto	@	7/6	10.	10. -
To Jamey Mc Gouch	13	Ditto	@	7/6	4.	17. 6
To the Buffeloe horn	8	Ditto	@	7/6	3.	- -
To Chimney Sweeper	12	Ditto	@	7/6	4.	10. -
To Thomoes Bro:	7	Ditto	@	7/6	2.	12. 6
To the Little white man	24	Ditto	@	7/6	9.	- -
To Mingo Davis	10	Ditto	@	7/6	3.	15. -
To Captain Snake	20	Ditto	@	7/6	7.	10. -
To Laytars Son	6	Ditto	@	7/6	2.	5. -
To Shoughcolochock	25	Ditto	@	7/6	9.	7. 6
To Eruens friend	12	Ditto	@	7/6	4.	10. -
To Hushcoholin	6	Ditto	@	7/6	2.	5. -
To Delleware Jack	14	Ditto	@	7/6	5.	5. -
To Welpakechan	36	Ditto	@	7/6	11.	5. -
To Sanghguss	15	Ditto	@	7/6	5.	12. 6
To Launchshell	7	Ditto	@	7/6	2.	12. 6
To Young Cap Jack	45	Ditto	@	7/6	16.	17. 6
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Joshua for Goods for	9	Bucks	@	7/6	3 7 6
To Holoskon & Ditto	27	Ditto	@	7/6	10 2 6
To Nunsey Will	12	Ditto	@	7/6	4 10 -
To John Kelley	13	Ditto	@	7/6	4 17 6
To the Pipe	15	Ditto	@	7/6	5 12 6
To Hurican Tom	5	Ditto	@	7/6	1 17 6
To Kischokolow	180	Ditto	@	7/6	67 10 -
To Tom	108	Ditto	@	7/6	40 10 -
To Beavers Old Son	10	Ditto	@	7/6	3 15 -
To Nemachelons Son will	4	Ditto	@	7/6	1 10 -
To Brawneys Son	30	Ditto	@	7/6	11 5 -
To Kellys Son	6	Ditto	@	7/6	2 5 -
To Coatapaw	9	Ditto	@	7/6	3 7 -
To Nankaloos Grand Son	28	Ditto	@	7/6	10 10 -
To Phillip	17	Ditto	@	7/6	6 17 6
To the Coachman	15	Ditto	@	7/6	5 12 6
To Maquck Jockey	14	Ditto	@	7/6	5 5 -
To the Young King	15	Ditto	@	7/6	5 12 6
To Lamolock	19	Ditto	@	7/6	6 2 6
To Sarahs Old Son	19	Ditto	@	7/6	6 2 6
To the Rattlingbell Old Tom	15	Ditto	@	7/6	5 12 6
To the Chimeny Sweep	15	Ditto	@	7/6	5 12 6
To Dellaware Jack	15	Ditto	@	7/6	5 12 6
To Cock Eyd will	14	Ditto	@	7/6	5 5 -
To Murdering Jamey	22	Ditto	@	7/6	8 5 -
To Old Snagg	10	Ditto	@	7/6	3 15 -
To Tom Green	18	Ditto	@	7/6	5 15 -
To Sly Boots	7	Ditto	@	7/6	2 12 6
To Jamey Young	9	Ditto	@	7/6	3 4 6

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To Mohunch	33	Ditto	@ 7/6	12	7	6
To Nemohoolon buffalonson	13	Ditto	@ 7/6	4	17	6
To the Old Snake Betys husband	15	Ditto	@ 7/6	5	12	6
To Lamohooney	24	Ditto	@ 7/6	9	-	-
To Will Anderson	12	Ditto	@ 7/6	4	10	-
To the Carter	15	Ditto	@ 7/6	5	12	6
To Opemolecon	6	Ditto	@ 7/6	2	5	-
To Ruffhead - ded Peter	15	Ditto	@ 7/6	5	12	6
To Captn Jacob	56	Ditto	@ 7/6	21	-	-
To White Eyes	15	Ditto	@ 7/6	5	12	6
To Chiney	6	Ditto	@ 7/6	2	5	-
To Saugust Friend	20	Ditto	@ 7/6	7	10	-
To Memocolong	9	Ditto	@ 7/6	3	7	6
To loss Sustaind by John Sutton in Company being taken Prisoner and Robed by the French near Ner. jomey or Pick Town to the Amount of [Pr May 2d May: Orderd]				110	10	-
To My house and Improvments taken from me being Situate on the river Ohio about three Miles from Fort Dequesen [144]				180	-	-
To Sundry Goods and a horse Detaind by the Ind. dians Being drove off could not be procured again				75	-	-
				£ 1007	12	-

Caleb Lamb.

Albany March 25th. 1757.

Then came Caleb Lamb before me the Subscriber, Mayor of the City of Albany and made Oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God, that the within account as it there. Stands Stated is just and true and that he hath not Received any part nor parcell there. of nor any security or Satisfaction for the Same.

Caleb Lamb

Sworn Befor

Sybrant G: V: Schaick Mayor

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Endorsed. Virginia / Memorial of Caleb / Lamb, late / an Indian / Trader on the Ohio, / to the Board setting / forth the Losses he has / sustain'd, & praying their / Lordships good Offices to / procure him a Recompence. / X. 20. / Recd July } 1757.
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Williamsburg Sept.r 12th 1757.

Right Hon.ble

Inclos'd You have Copy of my last of the 26th of May; and I am since honor'd with Your Letters of the 4th & 10th of March, with the Act of Par-liament prohibiting the Exportation of Corn &c.a for a limited Time, with Restrictions thereon, which I shall duly obey, & have caus'd it to be publish'd in our Gazette for the Information & Conduct of the Trade.

The Officer I sent to the Cherokees & Catau-bas, with the Assistance of Governor Lyttleton of S.o Carolina, had its proper effect, as they sent this Summer near 400 of their Warriors to our assistance which prov'd of essential Service in protecting our Frontiers, & we have been pretty easy of late, only a few scouting Parties of the Enemy coming in on some unguarded Parts of our Frontiers, murder-ing & robing a few of our People, which will be always the Case during this War. The Indians with some of our Provincials have made several Excursions, kill'd & taken several of the Enemy Prisoners; but the Indians are such a wavering unsettled sett of People that they will not con-tinue long in a Place most of them are gone to their different Nations, promising to return in

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two Moons; I have taken the necessary Care to part with them in great Friendship, by giving them considerable Presents, & I think they are pretty strongly attached to our Interest.

By His Majestys Ship the Garland Capt Arburthnott I send Your Lordships a small Box containing the Acts pasid last Session of As-sembly, the Journal of the Council, & House of Burgesses, with the Entry of Vessells, Inwards & Outwards in the different Districts of this Dominion.

I must beg Leave to observe that the Act for granting 80,000 to His Majesty, is by issu-ing that Sum in Paper Currency redeemable in seven Years, on which great Heats & Disputes commenc'd between the House & myself, on that Act, as I endeavor'd all I could to have the Re-demption of that Paper Currency confin'd to five Years, agreable to Act of Parliament, they argued, they were not included in that Act, [P 91] which is true / as no Paper Currency was then in this Dominion, but I desir'd them to con-sider the Spirit & Sense of Parliament in that Act, & that it should be general to all the Colo-nies, they were perverse & obstinate & by no means would recede from the Act; they took Ad-

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.vantage of the Emergency of our Affairs, which were in such a Situation, that without Money every Operation must have dropt, & the Protection of the Country, the Lives & Properties of these very People been expos'd to a barbarous Enemy, Under these Dif.ficulties the Necessity of supporting His Majesty's Com.mands, I was at last oblig'd, much against my Judgement, to give my Assent to that Bill, & for the above Reasons I hope I shall be excused.

The taking of Fort William Henry alarmd us greatly here, but as that Affair is not so bad as at first represented we are more easy; the taking that Fort cost the French dear, from the gallant Behavior of the Besieg'd; having killed a great many of their Forces on the dif.ferent Attacks, so they were oblig'd at last to Capitulate; and we hear after the Capitulation the French allowd their Indians to rob, & mur.der many of our People in cold Blood, which I think should disanul the Capitulation.

The Squadron of Kings Ships Command.ed by Admiral Holbourn, with the Forces from Britain, joind Lord Loudoun the Begin.ning of July at Nova Scotia, but I am afraid its too late in the Year to go up St. Lawrence, but I presume My Lord will attack Cape Briton,

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he is so secret in all his Designs, that Nothing per-
-spires, & am of Opinion his operations will be known
in Britain before we are acquainted with them here;
they say the Enemy has a large Squadron of Capital
ships at Lewisburg, but cannot think they are equal to ours.

I have not yet recd my Letter for Leave to
go Home, & really my Health greatly wants relief.
I beg Leave to assure You that with great Deference
& due Respects I remain

Your Lordships most obedient and
faithful Hble Servant

Robt Dinwiddie

Lords for Trade

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Endorsed. Virginia. / Letter from Robt Dinwiddie / Esqr.
Lt. Govr of Virginia: to the / Board, dated Sept. 12. 1757. /
acquainting their Lordships / with his Success in
procuring / assistance from the Cherokees / & Catawbas,
& with a dispute / he has had with the As-
-sembly / concerning a bill lately passd / there for
emitting £40000 in / bills of Credit. / X. 21. /

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To The Right Honoble The Lords [1:99]
Comissioners for Trade and Plantations

My Lords

In pursuance of Your Lordships Commands Signified to me by Mr Pownalls Letter wherein you are pleased to Desire my Opinion in Point of Law upon the following Acts passed in Virginia in February 1754 I have perused and considered the same (viz)

1. An Act for the Encouragement and Protection of the Settlers upon the Waters of the Missisippi.
2. An Act for Amending the Act intitled An Act for the better Regulation of the Militia.
3 An Act for paying the Burgesses Wages in Money for this present Session of Assembly

Upon Perusal and Consideration of these Acts I have no Objection thereto in Point of Law and am

My Lords

Your Lordships

Most Obedient

Humble Servant

Mat Lamb.

Lincolns Inn

29th January 1755.

[Endorsed]

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To The Right Honoble the Lords Comm. (P. 105)
. missioners for Trade & Plantations.

My Lords

In Pursuance of your Lordships Commands signified to me by Mr Pownalls Letter wherein you are pleased to desire my Opinion in Point of Law upon the following Acts passed in Virginia in July 1755 I have perused and considered the same (Viz.t)

1. An Act for raising the Sum of Six Thousand Pounds by a Lottery for the further Protection of his Majestys Subjects against the Insults and En. .croachments of the French

2. An Act to explain an Act Intitled An Act for raising the Sum of Twenty Thousand Pounds for the Protection of his Majestys Subjects a. .gainst the Insults and Encroachments of the French and for other Purposes therein mentioned.

This Act directs the Issuing Notes and makes them a legal Tender for a limited time which is not conformable to the Governors Instructions, but under the Circumstances of this Act the confirming the same must be submitted to your Lordships

3. An Act for continuing so much of the Act of Assembly Intitled an Act for the Encouragement and Protection of the Settlers upon the Waters of the Missisipi as relates to the raising and Imposing

Collecting and paying the Duties therein mentioned /

4. An Act for laying an Additional Duty on Rum and other Distilled Spirits not being of the Produce of his Majesty's Sugar Islands /

5. An Act for the further Amending the Act Intitled an Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco and preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs.

6. An Act for employing and better maintaining the Poor

7 An Act to amend an act Intitled an Act declaring the Law concerning Executions and for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors and for other Purposes therein mentioned

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/8. An Act for Prohibiting the Inspectors of Tar Pitch and Turpentine from purchasing such Commodities

9. An Act for the Relief of the Proprietors of the Tobacco burnt in Bollings Point Warehouse in the County of Dinwiddie

10. An Act for Reviving an act Intitled an act for preserving the Breed of Sheep

11. An Act for establishing Pilots and regulating their Fees

12. An Act for appointing several new Ferries.

13. An Act for paying the Burgesses Wages for this present Session of Assembly

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14. An Act for raising a Publick Levy

15. An Act for Reviving An Act Intitled an Act for allowing Fairs to be kept in the Town of Alexandria

This Act has a Clause reserving the Kings Right by his Prerogative of granting Fairs. But the Assembly taking upon them to erect Fairs by their Acts, and to grant Privileges to Persons attending such Fairs, is what I have often taken Notice of in Relation to former Acts, and I must submit the Confirmation of this Act to your Lordships

16. An Act to oblige Persons who bring To. bacco and other Goods to Westham to pay Storage for the same

17. An Act for enabling the Inhabitants of the Counties of Princess Anne and Norfolk to pay their Publick Dues in Money

18. An Act for dissolving the Vestry of the Parish of Saint Andrew in the County of Brunswick and Electing a new Vestry in the said Parish

19. An Act for dividing the Parish of Nottaway into two distinct Parishes and for other Purposes therein mentioned

20. An Act for the Relief of those Persons who were Sufferers in the Loss of the Records of

the County of Nancemond whose Cases have not already been provided for.

21. An Act to impower the Secretary of this Colony to sell / certain Lands therein mentioned

This Act is for Sale of Lands which have been long settled and annexed to the Office of Sec: -retary of this Colony for the time being to be held by him as his Freehold, which Office is un- -der the Appointment of his Majesty. And there- -fore it was proper before the passing this Act his Majestys Directions should have been had as well as the Consent of the Secretary whose Freehold is to be parted with: For it only appears that the Deputy Secretary has consented thereto, and he is impowered to sell the Lands and pay the Purchase Money to the Treasurer of the Colony, who is to pay Interest for the same, until the General As- -sembly shall direct the money to be laid out in some other manner for the use of the Secretary and his Successors, in which there is no Provision for the Approbation of the Secretary in the relay- -ing out the Money. So that the General Assem- -bly have the sole Power of laying out and dis- -posing of the Money again, which may be done to the Prejudice of the Secretary his Majestys Officer. And therefore it appears to me, That his Majestys

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Directions not having been given for the passing this Act, or the Secretary's Consent shewn to have been given thereto, that this Act, should not be confirmed.

Upon Perusal and Consideration of these Acts I have no other Objection thereto than are before mentioned And am

My Lords

Your Lordships

Most Obedient

Humble Servant

Mat Lamb

Lincolns Inn

18th. December 1756

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Endorsed. Virginia. / Sir Mathew Lambs Report / upon Twenty one acts passed / in Virginia, in July 1755. / Dated 18th Decr 1756 / X.24 / Recd Decr 21st 1756.

Read Nov. 24: 1757.

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To the Right Honourable the Lords
Comissioners for Trade and Plantations

My Lords

In pursuance of your Lordships Comands Signified to me by Mr Pownall's Letter wherein you are Pleased to desire my Opinion in Point of Law upon the following Acts Passed in Virginia in August and November 1755. I have Perused and consider the same (Viz.t)

1. An Act for Raising the Sume of Forty thousand Pounds for the Protection of His Majesty's Subjects in the Frontiers of this Colony. ✓
2. An Act for the better Regulating and Training the Militia. ✓
3. An Act for Amending an act Intitled An act for making Provision against Invasions and Insurrections. ✓
4. An Act for Preventing and Repelling the Hostile Incursions of the Indians at Enmity with the Inhabitants of this Colony. ✓
5. An Act to Recover His Majesty's Quit Rents Collected by the Sheriffs in a Summary Way. ✓
6. An Act to Regulate the Price of Indian Corne in the present Scarcity. ✓
7. An Act for Prolonging the time Appointed for Drawing the Publick Lottery. ✓

8. An Act for paying the Burgesses Wages for this Present Session of assembly ✓

1. 9. An Act to amend an Act Intitled an Act for amending an act Intitled an Act for making Provision against Invasions and Insurrections. ✓

2. 10. An Act to amend an Act Intitled an Act for Preventing and Repelling the Hostil Incursions of
[p.110] the Indians at Enmity with the / Inhabitants of this Colony. ✓

1. 11. An Act for the better Collecting the Land and Poll Tax. ✓

1. 12. An Act for Settling the Rents of the Publick Warehouses and Inspectors Salarys for this present year. ✓

1 13 An Act to Enable the Inhabitants of this Colony to discharge their Tobacco Debts in money for this present year. ✓

1 14 An Act for Paying the Burgesses Wages out of the Treasury for this Session of Assembly ✓

Upon Perusall and Consideration of these Acts. I have no Objections thereto in point of Law and am

My Lords

Your Lordships

Most Obedient

Humble Servant

Mat Lamb

Lincolns Inn
18th December 1756.

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My Lords,

Your Lordships having been pleased to lay before me, an Act passed in the Colony of Virginia, in 1748 Entituled, "An Act for setling the Titles and Bounds "of Lands, and for preventing unlawful Hunting & Rang. ".ing, and to desire my Opinion thereof, in so far "as the said Act, has relation to his Majestys Interests "and Revenue in that Colonie.

I have thereupon considered the said Act, together with the Lieut Governors Observations upon it, and in so far as, the said Act, has any relation to the Kings Property or Revenue, arising from Lands in Virginia, I have no objection, to its being confirmed, by his Majesty, I do therefore, in all other respects, submit the same, to your Lordships Judgment, and am with all due Regard

My Lords

Your Lordship's most
obedient & most humble Sert

Robt Cholmondeley Aud Gen

To the Right Honble The Lords
Commissioners for Trade & Plantations

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Endorsed. Virginia / Report of the Auditor Gent for his Majestys Revenue in / America upon an Act of Virginia / referred to him by the Board / for setling the Titles & Bounds / of Lands &c / for preventing / unlawfull hunting & ranging / X. 28 / Read Febry 22d 1748

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To the Right Honble the Lords Commission.
. ers of His Majestys Treasury.

The Memorial of Willm Byrd
and Peter Randolph Esqrs

Humbly sheweth,

That the Honble Robert Dinwiddy Esqr His Majesty's Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Colony and Dominion of Virginia, did, by his Commission, bearing date at Williamsburg the twenty third day of December, in the year of Our Lord One [p.136] Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Five, / appoint your Memorialists Commissioners to negotiate Treatys of Peace and Friendship with the Cherokees and Catabaws, two Nations of the Indians, upon the Western Frontiers, whom the French were endeavour. .ing by their cunning, artfull insinuations to Seduce from their Alliance with His Majesty's Subjects in America.

The said Treaties being happily concluded, and a firm and permanent Friendship established, and after great Labour and Fatigue to your Memorialists, they laid the Accounts of their Expences attending the same before his Honour the Lieutenant Gover. [p.137] :nor / in Council, which being examined and approved of, an Order of Council, was made, that the same should be certified to your Lordships, and his Honour was desired to apply to your Lordships, to obtain an

Allowance for your Memorialists, adequate to the Fatigue and Trouble of so hazardous a Journey.

In the year 1744 His most Gracious Majesty was pleased by His Warrant to direct, that the Sum of £1820. 2s. 11d Sterling should be paid out of the Revenue of Quitrents for Presents to the Six Nations, for Rewards to the Commissioners, and for Defraying the Expences attending the Renewal of the Treaties with the said Indians, and your Memorialists humbly beg leave to represent to your Lordships, that those Commissioners travelled through a Populous and Well Inhabited Country, abounding with all the conveniencies of life; whereas your Memorialists were obliged to travel in a time of open War, upwards of four hundred Miles, through a Country almost desert, and uninhabited, whereby they were not only exposed to the most imminent dangers, but were also put to very great and extraordinary Expences, in providing for so long a Journey and for maintaining and supporting themselves in such a manner, as to have proper influence over the Savages and thereby to answer the important purposes for which they were Deputed.

Your Memorialists refer your Lordships to the Orders of Council hereunto annexed as Evidence of the Facts, which they have represented to you; and humbly hope, that, as yet they have received no Reward for their Services, your Lordships will direct such an Allowance to be made them as to you shall seem reasonable and adequate to the

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nature of the Service projected with the Cherokee and Catawba Indians now acting in Conjunction with His Majestys Forces in North America.

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Copy. **Virginia.** Orders of Council reffer'd to. [pp 1-3]

At a Council held Decemr. 14. 1743.

The Honble Thomas Lee Esqr and William Beverly Esqr, were this Day appointed Commissioners for negotiating the Treaty with the Indians.

At a Council held Aprl. 18th. 1744.

Upon the Application of Thomas Lee and William Beverly Esqrs appointed Commissioners to treat with the six Nations of Indians, It is ordered, that the Receiver General pay them £300 Sterling towards their Expences in the said Treaty, and that Colo Byrd and Colo Burwell with the said Commissioners prepare a [p 1-4] Commission and Instructions to be laid before this Board.

At a Council held Aprl. 27. 1744.

The Commission and Instructions prepared for Thomas Lee and William Beverly Esqrs agreably to the Directions of the preceeding Council, were this Day read and approved of.

At a Council held June 12th. 1744.

The Govr. was pleased to communicate to the Board a Letter from the Honble Thomas Lee Esqr, appointed a Commissioner to Treat with the Indians, On Consideration of the Circumstances [p 1-5] therein represented, It is ordered that the Receiver General remit to him the further Sum of £200.

At a Council held Octr. 30. 1744.

The Accounts of Expences and Disbursements attending the Late Treaty at Lancaster was pro-duced to the Board by the Commissioners; Order-ed, that the said Accounts be referred to Mr. Auditor for his Examination.

Ordered,

That the Sum of £13, be allowed to the Lawyer for drawing the Commission, Instruc-tions, and the Deed from the Indians for the Lands purchased of them; the Sum of two
[P146] pounds ten Shillings to an Express / sent by the Governor, and fifty Pounds to Mr William Blacke as Secretary to the Commissioners.

At a Council held Novr. 1st. 1744.

The Auditor reporting, that he had ex-amined the Account of Expences attending the Late Treaty at Lancaster, refferd to him by this Honble Board, and found it truly stated, the said Account was approved by the Council; and Or-dered, that the same be Certified to the Rt. Honble the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, and the Honble the Lieut Governor is desired to apply to their Lordships for a Warrant, allowing
[P.147] and directing the / Receiver General to charge the whole Sum by him so advanced, amounting to

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£1620..2..11 Sterling, in his next Account of His Majestys Revenue of Quit Rents, together with such Allow. .ance to the two Commissioners for their Trouble as to their Lordships shall seem reasonable, the said Commissioners having as yet received no Reward for their Service in making the Treaty, which this Board unanimously believe to be ben. .ficial, as it tends to secure the Frontier Inhabi. .tants in their Possessions, under which security the Bounds of this Colony will be extended, and his Majestys Revenue of Quit Rents increased.

At a Council held Octr 17th 1755.

His Majestys Warrant directing the Govr to [p.148]
Issue his Warrants for applying and paying £1620..2..11 for Presents to the Six Nations of Ind. .dians, for Rewards to the Commissioners, and de. .fraying the Expences on Renewing Treaties with the said Indians, was read.

At a Council held May 7th 1756.

The Treaty with the Cherokees and Catawbas was this Day produced by the Commissioners, and read; and the Thanks of the Board given them for their faithful Execution of their Commission.

Ordered, that the said Treaty be registred.

His Honour then proposed to have the Treaty printed which was approved of.

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At a Council held June 10th. 1756.

Ordered that the Accounts of Expences and Disbursements attending the late Treaties with the Catawbas and Cherokees be referr'd to Mr. Auditor for his Examination.

At a Council held June 28th. 1756.

The Auditor reporting, that he had Examined the Accounts of Expences &c. attending the late Treaties with the Catawba's and Cherokees and found them truly stated;

Ordered, that the same be Certified to the Rt. Honble the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, And the Honble the Lieut. Governor is desired to apply to their Lordships for a War-
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-rant allowing and directing the Receiver General to charge the whole Sum, amounting to £1319-15-8 Sterlg besides £700, Sterling, paid by his Honour out of the Money in his Hands for presents to the said Indians, in the next Account of His Majesty's Revenue of Quit Rents, together with Such Allowance to the two Com-
-missioners for their Trouble as to their Lordships shall seem reasonable, the said Commissioners having as Yet received no Reward for their painful and hazardous Service in making the Treaties, which this Board is Unanimously of Opinion will prove highly beneficial not only to Virginia, but to all his Majesty's Domin-

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sions in North America.

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Endorsed (to include ff. 133-150) Virginia. / Letter from Saml. Martin / Esq.r Secry to the Lords of the / Treasury dated July 4. 1758. / referring to the Consideration / of this Board the Memorial / of Wm. Byrd & Peter Randolph / Esqrs. Agents to the Cherokee & / Catabaw Indians, praying for / Allowance to be made them for / the Services they performed in / bringing the sd. Indians to act / in Conjunction with His Majestys / Forces in North Ameri- / ca. / Read July 6. 1758. / X. 33.

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Wmsburgh Sept. 23d. 1758 [P.105]

My Lords

I herewith send your Lordships the Duplicates of the Acts of last Sessions of Assembly, with the Journals of the Council and House of Burgesses, all of which I did myself the Honour to send by his Majesties Ship Ludlow Castle, Captn Clarke, with this pacquet your Lordships will also receive the Acct of the Naval Officers, wch are all the public papers which have yet been delivered to me. Mr President Blair informs me, he had sent all Accts of Quit Rents, and Tobacco Duties made up to the 25th April last with their Duplicates.

In looking over the papers left by the Last Lieut. Governor Mr Dinwiddie, I cannot find your Lordships Letter of Directions in Relation to the pistole Fee, of wch He suffered no Copy to be taken in this Colony. There are now as I am informd 1360 patents lying in the office not taken up, by which his Majesties Revenue of Quit Rents suffers above £1000 a year.

[P.106] Being extremely desirous to keep peace and Harmony in this Country (of wch I have at present a most pleasing Prospect) and that his Majesties Revenue should not suffer under my administration of affairs here; I have made a Declaration

in Council, that I would be willing to acquiesce in every thing that should be thought reasonable to procure both these Advantages.

This affair has formerly raised a great Flame in this Country wch is not yet quite sub. sided, and as I am endeavouring to quench it en. tirely, that the Assemblies may be the easier prevailed upon to give what is necessary in sup. port of his Majesties just Rights, I hope your Lordships on these Considerations will give Di. rections that I may be furnished with a Copy of the said Letter.

[By some Captures lately made by Capt. Legge in his Majesties Ship Chesterfield it appears plainly that a regular Trade is carryed on between Rhode Island, and the French west India Islands, by means of ships who carry a few prisoners as Cartel Ships, and under protection of a Flag of Truce supply the French with provisions.

The Rhode Island Men knowing there were 60 french prisoners at Boston, sent four Ships from Providence to Boston at their own Expence, and put fifteen on Board each Ship by which they skreen'd four Cargoes of provisions &c. to port au Prince one of these fell into Capt. Legges Hands. on Board a french.

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prize he found a Letter containg this paragraph.
"
"Nous sommes tous les Jours a la Veille de man-
"quer, sans le Secours de nos Ennemis nous serons
"obligez de vivre comme vous nous Lannoncez avec ce
"que nous fournit la Colonie. La Condition est
"dure, et Lon ny resisteroit pas; nous sçavons bien.
"quil est impossible au Commerce de France de nous
"secourir, tout est abandonné et La Cour ne pense pas
"a nous."

In another Letter taken on board the same Ship there are these paragraphs "Il ny
"a rien a faire en parlementaire nous allons
"cependant de faire en sorte de Traité de ce Com-
"merce sous la protection de nos puissances En
"fin nous contons envoyer le frere de notre Sieur
"Rousseau a Jamaique de quel Endroit. Il vous
"ecrira par Londres s'il fait quelques Affaires."

"Vous ferez bien de ne nous faire aucun
"Envoye par navires hollandois ny françois,
"une bonne Affaire sous le pavillon Espagnol
"seroit bonne a faire s'il reste encore neutre. Il
"n'y a pas d'apparences quil prenne Partie pour
"vous."

One of these Ships wch was a regular Cartel between port au Prince and Jamaica is since brought in. the Captain is furnished wth pass

[p 11] ports from both the English and French Governor He is loaded up to the Hatches, and was taken by a privateer as soon as he was out of port, and brot in here as lawful prize.]

The Council and Merchants have requested the Board of Admiralty thro' me to grant them some Vessel of Force to remain on this Station to protect their Trade in the absence of the Men of War who come and go as Convoys. The putting a Stop if possible to this il: .licit Trade may perhaps be an additional Motive to their Lordships to grant their Request.

By the last Acct I had from the Army designed to act against Fort du Quesne, I find they have determined not to go by the old Road of General Bradock, but to cut a new one from Rays Town over the Laurell Hills, and that the advanced Guard was imagin. .ed to be at Loyal Hanning a post on a Creek to the West. .ward of the Hills about 50 Miles from Fort du Quesne on the 2d of this Month; of wch Date were my Letters.

This Inactivity as it is here call'd, and the long Delay before they set forward, has raised a Doubt [Pag] whether the Attack can be attempted this year/which has so much soured some of the Members of the Assembly that they are unwilling to grant any more Money towards carrying on the Expedition; however I hope when the Time comes, they will be brought to

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do what is ask'd of them; and for this purpose, I am endeavouring to gain their Confidence. by all Means in my power. The Step I took in Regard to the Speaker, has done me much Service as it has given him and all his Friends a great Opinion of the Openness of my Con: .duct. I am if possible more and more convinced that it will always be impracticable to separate the Offices of Speaker and Treasurer during the Life of Mr. Robin: .son, perhaps not even after his Decease. I gave your Lordships a full Acct. of my Proceedings in that af: .fair, wch. I hope you will not disapprove.

By the latter part of the Address of the House of Burgesses wch. I herewith transmit to your Lordships, you may observe the Temper of the House, and that paragraph was agreed on as a Medium between granting and refusing the whole. But I am yet told, if I do nothing to create a Misunder- [P. 190] .standing between us, I may obtain whatever I can in reason desire for next Summers Campaign, if another Campaign should be necessary. The Assembly wch. will not sit long now, are to meet early in the Spring for that purpose I must now humbly intreat your Lordships that you would excuse the Liber: .ty I take in sending my Speech and the Address of both Houses in print. But Baptr. Legges depar: .ture happening in the Time of the Assembly, and

my deferring writg to the last, in Expectation of some Resolves the House of Burgesses might make of wch I might inform your Lordships did not give me Time to have them transcribed.

I am afraid I have taken up too much of your Lordships Time in being too particular and minute and am with great Respect

My Lords

Your Lordships

most obliged

Obt & devoted

Servt

Fran: Fauquier

The Lords Comissrs of Trade & plantations

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Endorsed. Virginia. / Letter from Francis / Fauquier Esqr Lieut. Govr. / of Virginia to the Board, / dated Septembr 23d 1758. / relating to the Revenue of / Quit Rent suffering by / the great number of Patents / for Lands lying in the / Office, not taken up, (and / desires a Copy of the Boards / Letter of the Direc. / tions / respecting the Pistol Fee) / - and respecting the illegal Trade carried on / from Rhode Island / to the French Islands by / Cartel Ships. / X. 41. /

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To The Right Honble William Pitt Esqr
One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

The Memorial of James Abercrom.
by Esqr Agent for Virginia

Humbly Sheweth

That by the Reduction of Fort Du Quesne the Communication and Intercourse with the Ohio and the numerous Tribes of Indians to the Westward is again happily brought about, And that Engag.ing those Indians in our Interest will greatly promote what further Operations may be thought necessary in the Interior Parts of that valuable Continent.

That a speedy Supply of Goods by Way of Presents will be a Means to engage them to become Active in our Service, and the rather, since from this happy Event, added to that of Frontenac the Supplies intended for these Indians, are not only totally destroyed but at the same Time, no Hopes left, of further Relief, from the French.

That the Sum of £3500 was lately grant.ed by His Majesty by Way of Presents to the Indians of the Southward of Virginia, was the like Sum granted immediately, for the use of the Ohios and other Indians, to the Westward thereof, It is conceived, that many Advantages

might from thence ensue, in the further Progress
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of His Majesty's Arms in North America / And
hereupon the above Measure is humbly submitted
to Your Consideration by,

[Sir,

Your Most Obedient &
Most Humble servant
Jas Abercromby Agent
for Virginia]

January 20th 1759 }]

[M. Abercromby's hand]

[P 224]
Endorsed. Virginia. / Memorial / of / James
Abercromby Esqr. / Agent for Virginia to / the
Right Honble Wm Pitt / Secry of State proposing that /
the Sum of £3500 may be / granted to purchase
presents / for the Indians to the Westward / of
Virginia / recd with Mr Martins Letter / Secry to
the Lords of the / Treasury. / Read Febry 22d 1759. /
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Williamsburgh Janv.y 5th. 1759 [P.224]

My Lords

Inclosed in the Box with this Your Lordships will receive the Acts and Journals of two Sessions of Assembly. The Accounts of the naval Officers from Lady Day to Michaelmas last past, the Receiver generals Accounts of the 2s. pr. Hhd Duty on Tobacco from the 25th of April to the 25th of October 1758 and his Accounts of Quit Rents for the Year 1757.

Your Lordships may be surprized at my mentioning two Sessions of Assembly, but you will observe that in the first Session, an Act was passd to recall the first Virginia Regiment home into Winter Quarters by the first of December; if they were detained by any Power whatever they were not to be deemed to be any longer in the pay of this Colony. The second Regiment by the Terms of their enlisting were to be discharged the same Day, as it was concluded the Service of this Campaign would by that Time be over. But by Letters I recd from the Army I was informed, that his Majesties Forces would be in Action before Fort du Quesne just at that Time, I therefore summoned the Assembly to meet again to prolong the Time, and provide [P.225] for the further pay of the Regiments. What I said to them on their Meeting I have transmitted to

your Lordships; and I must further add that they came into it so readily, that they met on the ninth of November pass'd a Bill to prolong the Time to the first of January, which received my assent, and the Assembly was pro. .rogued on the eleventh, the third Day from their Meeting as appears from the Journals.

As my Instructions require me to give my Reasons for passing Bills of a public Nature, where the Reason is not apparent in the pre. .amble, I cannot omit mentioning two Acts which pass'd in the first Session. One is the Act by which the price of Tobacco is fixed at 2d pr pound for all Dues to be paid in that Staple, whether to Clergy or Laity. The last are well contented a few of the first very much other. .wise, and applyed to me to stop it, while it was depending in the House of Burgesses. Where they made no Opposition to it by petition or otherwise; they acted in the same passive Man. .ner while it was before the Council; but have since used all their Endeavours to spirit up their Brethren to Contention. Those that came to me on this Errand urged one very strong Reason (indeed the only one of any weight) why I ought to refuse my assent to the Bill, viz. was

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this, it was altering a Law that had received [P. 330]
the Royal Assent, without a suspending Clause
Perhaps my Lords I have done wrong in getting
over this Difficulty, but my Reasons were these.
As the Bill was a temporary Law to ease the
people from a Burthen which the Country
thought too great for them to bear, for one
Year only; a suspending Clause would have
been to all Intents and purposes the same
as rejecting it. A Bill of the same Nature in a
like Time of Scarcity of Tobacco had been passd with-
-out such a Clause, in the late Governor's Time and
he incurred no Censure for having passd it. The Coun-
-try were intent upon it, and both the Council
and House of Burgesses were almost unanimous in their
passing it; and I conceived it would be a very
wrong Step for me to take who was an entire
Stranger to the Distresses of the Country, to set my
Face against the whole Colony in refusing a Bill
which I had a precedent for passing. Whatever may
be the Case now, I am perswaded that if I had
refused it I must have despaired of ever gaining
any Influence either in the Council or House of
Burgesses. The Clergy are now become so warm
about this Affair, that they have as it were
compelled the Commissary to call a Convention

of the Clergy, which notwithstanding the Efforts of the hotheaded Leaders was so thinly attended that a third only of their Body appeared at it, at which they subscribed a Sum to send as an Agent to England to sollicit this Affair before the privy Council, one Mr Camm, who has made himself remarkable here, as being one of the late Masters turned out of the College for refusing to submit to the power of the Visitors; and for introducing Mr [p 232] Brunskill (a Clergyman deprived of his Living by the late Governor in Council, for his indecent and lascivious Conduct, and who was not only a Reproach to the Clergy, but a Scandal to Human Nature) into his pulpit to preach before two Members of the Council who had assisted in his Deprivation, and as far as in them lay in rendering him incapable of performing any Ecclesiastical Function. In short Mr Camm is a Man of Abilities but a Turbulent Man who delights to live in a Flame. I hear he is to sollicit your Lordships in this Affair.

[The other Bill on which it is requisite, I should explain myself, is the Act which provides for the payment of the Regiments, and the Militia employed for the Defence of the Frontiers; which is done by a new Emission of paper Currency; A Method which I have convinced the World I do

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not approve, and which has given an Alarm to the Merchants of Great Britain; and yet I do not see how it was to be avoided, as the Country is obliged to be at this Expence: For I must declare, that if all the Specie of any Kind, that I have seen since I came into the Colony were to be brought together and thrown into one Heap, it would not amount to £100 Sterling. So much is the Colony drain'd at present by Money sent to New York.

If Great Britain is obliged to borrow Money on Loans for the current Service, and either can not, or it is not thought expedient, she should raise the Money within the Year, how can it be expected from this Colony. And the Emissions of paper is a Means of borrowing Money without Interest / and a Tax is always [p. 233] laid by way of sinking Fund for the Redemption of every Emission. The Merchants of Great Britain who are alarm'd at this, and have presented a Memorial against it, do not know the Law that is now in Force, relating thereto, otherwise there could be no Ground for their Fears. They go upon a Supposition that the old Law takes place by which this Money is to be a Tender for Sterling Debts at £25 p.c. Whereas

Sterling Debts are by Law to be paid according to the Rate of Exchange at the Time of paym.t or Judgment obtained, w.ch is always fluctuating, and is settled twice a Year by the general Court; and at the last Court was settled at £35 p.r Cent. So that unless they suppose that the supreme Court of Judicature here, should in Contempt of their Oath and Neglect of their Characters as private Men, make a false Rule of Court to regulate the Affair of Exchanges, in the Face of all Merchants and Traders who are always present at that Court; Nobody can be hurt as the Law now stands. Indeed the paper Money and Specie is by Law put upon the same Footing w.ch is £25 p.r Cent, a Guinea passing for £1-6-3, a Shilling for 1/3, but let the Value of paper Currency fall as much as they please by the frequent Emissions, Exchange will rise as fast [p. 234] and they will obtain for a sterling Debt just / as much of the paper Currency as will purchase a good sterling Bill of Exchange, and then what Injury is done them, unless as I said before the whole Court combine in a bare faced Villany to defraud them; and if that is to be feared, they may as well fear they wd. give a wrong Judgment wherever their property

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comes in Question. They are certainly in the power of a supreme Court of Judicature, as is every Man in every Country, and how can they avoid it, and if they could, would they chuse it? But Mr Abercrombie the Agent is furnished with a Letter in Answer to the Merchants Memorial, wrote by the Council and with the advice of some of the principal Merchants here which will perhaps set this Matter in a clearer Light than I am capable of doing.]

As the giving a Reward for Indian Scalps was found to produce bad Consequences, by setting our people on to kill Indians whether Friends or Enemies, for the sake of the Reward: by which we much fear the Cherokee Nation are incensed against us; it was thought adviseable to repeal it.

The abandoning Fort du Quesne by the French and their blowing up and destroying all the Buildings and Works as far as the Time would give them Leave, General Forbes being then within a Days March of the place, is, I imagine [P. 236] what your Lordships will / be fully informed of, before this can reach England. The manner of its Surrender to his Majesties Arms does not afford Matter for many particulars. We yet know nothing of the March of the French Garrison wch it is said consisted of between 4 and 500, but by all Circumstances it is apprehended

that wherever they are gone, they are in a miserable Condition. The General has garrisond the place with provincial Troops, and not with those in the pay of Great Britain, which Step I fear will not be relished by this Assembly, when they meet in February.

I am afraid I have been already too prolix, therefore after begging your Lordships would accept of my Congratulations on the present Turn of affairs in his Majesties Favour on this Continent, I subscribe myself with all Respect and Regard to your Lordsh.

My Lords

Yr. Lordships

most Obt.

Hum. Servt.

Fran: Fauquier

Lords Comrs. of Trade & Plantations

[p. 236]

Endorsed. Virginia. / Letter from Mr. Fauquier, / L. Gov. of Virginia, to / the Board, dated Jany 8. / 1759, containing Re. / marks / on some Acts lately passed / & inclosing (two) / Read May 23. 1759. / X. 49.

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Williamsburgh May 9th 1759. [p 309]

My Lords

Purposing to set forward for Winchester to-
morrow in order to see the Troops raised by this
Colony, before they march to join the Forces un-
der the Command of Brigad.r Gen.l Stanwix, I would
not omit the Opportunity of writing to your Lordships
as I am informed a Liverpool Ship will sail from
James River in a few Days.

I have given Orders for the Clerks to make
what Dispatch they can, to have the Journals of
the Council and Burgesses, together with all the
acts pass'd last Session ready against my Return,
that I may have it in my power to transmit
them to your Lordships w.th the Receiver Generals
and Naval Officers Accts by the first Opportunity w.ch
shall offer. The hardships of last Campaign
occasioned by Scarcity of provisions and Inclemen-
cy of Seasons have a little abated the Military
Order of the young Men of this Colony, however
I hope to find the Body tolerably compleat;
a particular Acc.t of w.ch I shall give your
Lordships Information of on my Return.

In Consequence of the Letters your
Lordships did me the Favour to send me [p 310]
Copies of, in Relation / to the Fee of a pistole

on patents for Lands, an advertisement was published in the Gazette by Order of Council -giving notice what Lands were exempted from, and what included in that Fee, and warning every one to take out their patents, or they would run the risque of having their Lands caveated.

This has already produced a very good Effect especially for Lands exempted, as people were afraid to take out patents for fear the Fee should be demanded; I hope his Majesties Quit Rents will be greatly improved, as people begin to be solicitous to take out their patents in Time.

I hope your Lordships are convinced of my good Intentions and Zeal to promote his Majesties Service in every Shape, and satisfied in some Measure with the Reasons I have assigned for my Conduct in the Letters I did my self the Honor to write to you of the 14th of last Month by the Phaeton Captain Allen. My greatest Ambition is to do my Duty and obtain your good Opinion being with the greatest Esteem.

My Lords.

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Yr. Lordships

most Obed.

& devoted Serv.t

Fran: Fauquier.

The R.t Hon.ble the Lords of Trade &c.a

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Endorsed. Virginia. / Ltr from W.m Fauquier / L.t Gov.r of Virginia / to the Board, dated / May 9. 1759, containing / an Account of the / Effect of an Advertise- / -ment he has published / relative to the Fee / of / a Pistole on / Patents for Lands. / Read July 18. 1759 /

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Hpns burg Jan.y 30th 1759. [P.247]

My Lords

We have yet learnd no Particulars to be depended upon in Relation to the French Garrison which aban.doned Fort du Quesne; The Indians tell us they are gone to Venango. it is certain they went down the River part in Battoes and part on Foot; but it is said they went up Beaver Creek and then turnid up the Country.

General Forbes at first left only 200 Men in Garrison there, 100 Pensilvanians and 100 Virginians, for as he wrote me, he had no power to leave any of the Troops in the pay of Great Britain to garrison the Forts, which I was very sorry for, as this Colony was very intent on having all their Troops at home in the Winter; and this I much fear will be a Baulk to their recruiting in the Spring. But since the Indians have informed him that they fear The French from Venango and Presquisle will endeavour to recover the Fort, as the Garrison is so small he has reinforced it with some Highlanders and Royal Americans; so that the Amount of the whole at that Fort and Loyal Hannon is 800 Men full as many as can be well subsisted in those places.

I must own for my own part I have no

such Years, for by their abandoning this Fort, and not staying to defend it, after they found that all their efforts to Obstruct the March of the Kings Troops were ineffectual / it looks to me as if their Design was, not to risque their Men to be taken prisoners. or kill'd in the Defence of Forts at a Distance: but to abandon all as we drew near them, and draw their Men down to their principal Settlements to make a stand there once for all.

The Indians have spoke plainer on this Occ. than they have usually done, and upon so small a Garrison being left have said; We must leave a stronger Garrison to defend the post and protect the Country, or they could not be our Friends; if the French should again become Masters of it, they must again take up the Hatchet a-gainst us; that French or English were alike in-different to them, that we furnish'd them with such Things as they wanted and could not make for themselves, and they must be friends to those who could possess the Country and sup-ply them, and defend them from any Revenge the others might be inclined to take of them. This my Lords is Reason and Truth; tho' from the Mouth of an Indian.

By the Recovery of this Fort, His Majesty is in

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Possession at present of as fine a Tract of Country by Report as any in the World, and people seem already eager to settle on it. But in Relation to that I hope your Lordships will indulge me in making a few Relexions. It is supposed — that all the Great Grants are actually forfeit-ed, if so, and the Crown should think pro-per to resume them, I apprehend it will be best not to renew them, for great and extensive Grants are destructive to the well settling / and peopling a Colony. This is the Opinion of all the Gentlemen who are themselves concerned in some of these Grants, they acknowledge them to be detrimental; but as they expect some Profit may be made by them they desire to have their Share. This is the Language of all who wish well to their Country. But if the Resumption of these Grants should be thought an impolitic Step for the Crown to take: The Grantees ought at least to be obliged to take up, mark out, and ascertain their Land as soon as possible, and the Land ought to be all contiguous and as near a Square as possible to prevent their running their Lines along the Banks of the Rivers. For want of these precautions, when persons have come to settle, and have taken up and cleared

Lands, built House &c. Their plantations have been claim'd as lying within some great Grant, which are wholly unknown to all the World even the Grantees themselves. Nothing can possibly create a greater Obstruction to the settling a Country, than these Uncertainties and Dis. . couragements.

I thought it my Duty to mention these Circumstances to your Lordships for your mature Consideration.

and am with the greatest Regard

Yr. Lordships

Most Obt. & devoted

Hum Servt.

Fran: Fauquier.

To the Rt: Hon. the Lords of Trade &c.

[p.250] P: S:

This goes by a Bristol Ship, I am still waiting for a London Ship to carry the Box with the Acts of Assembly and other public Papers. We have been for some Time in daily Expectation of Captn. Clarke in the Ludlow Castle with some Transports, but they are not yet arrived. I likewise hear that I am to be summoned to meet Major General Am. . herst at Philadelphia, but the Express for that

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purpose is not yet come to Hand.

I am with the greatest
Regard
Yr Lordships most
Obt Servt

J: F:

Febry 19.

As it is said Captn Clarke with the Highlanders is gone with the Fleet to the French Islands, the Success of wch in Regard to Guardeloupe We have good Advice of, and as there is no prospect of a Ship sailing soon for London, I have sent the Box of public Papers by this Ship, under the Care of Mr Morse who goes in her. The Assembly is just met nothing yet done.

I am as above &c

J: F:

Febry 26.

The House of Burgesses have yesterday voted a Regiment of 1000 Men compleat, rank and file exclusive of Officers.

March. 1st

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Wms burgh April 14th 1759 [P 375]

My Lords

The Assembly have this Day broke up, after having given one Regiment of 1000 private Men exclusive of Officers to join his Majesties Forces under Brigr Genl Stanwix appointed to the chief Command in these parts; and by a second Bill have added two Companies of 100 Men each to act as Artificers, as required by the Letters of Mr Secretary Pitt, Genl Amherst and Stanwix. The Command of these Troops is given to the Honble Col Byrd, on the Resignation of Col Washington, and I will use my utmost power to keep them a real thousand effective Men in the Field and not on paper only.

The Difficulties these Bills met with, and the History of their progress thro' the House of Burgesses I shall trouble your Lordships with, as it will give some Insight into the Disposition of the people of this Colony.

Feb. 22 I opened the Assembly with the speech wch I enclose to your Lordships. In the Burgesses Address you will observe they don't promise a Man, or engage for any thing but only plead Poverty, however the Speaker & his Friends were very solicitous to get a Vote soon pass'd to raise 1000 Men to obviate any ill Impressions

[P. 276] the Address might make on the Commanders of his Majesties Forces. and they at the same Time disbanded four Companies of Rangers of 100 each kept for the protection of the Frontiers.

On the receiving Letters from Mr. Secretary Pitt, and Majr. Genl. Amherst I again call'd them up
Mar. 5th and in a second Speech recommended vigorous Measures, they answered in the same Tone as before. as your Lordsh.p will see by the enclosed Copies. on the Commitment of the Bill a Motion was made to fill up the Blanks with 1500 and lost by one Vote. about this Time some of the Frontier Members on breakfasting with me ask'd me what I designed in Relation to the Frontiers, I told them they must look to that, for I would not keep one single Man at home out of the 1000 given. This alarmed them. upon this I sent for the Speaker and told him what had happened, and he immediately proposed that a Motion should be made in the House, that it should be an in-struction to the Committee to receive a Clause for the augmenting the Number of Men. I spake to some of the warmest against the Augmentation, to desire the House would furnish me w.th an Answer to the petitions of the Frontier Inhabitants, if they designed them no protection, by Message,

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address, or what way they pleased. This Vote was carried by Eight in the House, an Augmentation of 500 was resolved on, but to my great Surprize I found a Tack was made to the Bill; for ap-pointing an Agent. wch had long been a Bone of Contention between the Council and Burgesses. / I [R.277] told some of the chief promoters of this Step, that I would not suffer the Tack, that I had an Instruction to the Contrary, and it should not pass. they answered that they imagined when it came to the point I would not refuse it, but not to give me uneasiness they would try the Council first by an Agents Bill, which they did and the Council pass'd it. As the Augmentation was carried by the joining in of the Frontier Mem-bers, they tied it up in such a Manner that it was impossible the Men could be made use of for any purpose but the protection of the Frontiers the Division was too near to attempt any Alteration, and I took it as was, considering that at all Events there were 500 Men ready raised and in pay in Case of an Emergency.

On receiving a second very pressing Let-ter from Wm Secretary Pitt, I again call'd them and recommended the Letter to them, in a few Words spoken extempore wch Step I had observed

to make a great Impression on them, when I prorogued the short Assembly of two Days, but this was to no purpose, so on the 5th April I went to the Capitol and passd all the Bills ready for my Assent, that I might immediately set about recruiting. The very day of my passing this Bill, the Burgesses came to a Vote to send me a Message that I would employ these very 600 Men on an Expedition against the Shawnese, to this Message I returned a very undecisive Answer. But to conclude this long Narrative, on the 9th instant I received Letters from Mr Secretary Pitt and the Generals
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requiring / artificers, I sent these Letters to the House of Burgesses and the Speaker seeing a fair Opportunity as several of the other party were gone home, got a Bill ordered in to enable me to send 200 of the 500 to join his Majesties Forces as Artificers wch was carried thro' the House without much opposition.

I will take up no more of your Lord-ships Time only to acquaint you that the Money Bill stands upon the same Footing as the former, and the Agents Bill is pretty near the same as that which is at present in force for the province of South Carolina,

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The Business and Instructions to the Agent being to be carried on by a Committee of 4 of the Council & 8 of the Burgesses according to Direc-tions recd from the general Assembly.

I am My Lords

with the greatest Respect

Yr. Lordships

most Obt. Obl.d

& devd. humn.

Servt

Franc: Fauquier

To the right Honble the Lords of Trade & plantations.

[P. 280]

Endorsed. Virginia. / Letter from F. Fauquier / Esqr. Lieut. Govr. of Virginia / to the Board, dated April / 14. 1759. containing an / account of the proceedings / of the Assembly relative to / the Operations of the / ensuing Cam-paign and / inclosing. / Read June 19th. 1759 /

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Wmsburgh June 9th 1759. [P 323]

My Lords

I have the Honour to transmit to your Lord-
-ships the Acts of the last general Assembly, the Jour-
-nals of both Houses. the Accts of the Receiver general
and the Naval Officers, by this Conveyance, wch is the
first Opportunity I had since they have been delivered
to me. I hope the Merchants of great Britain are
fully satisfied of the Care that is taken of their In-
-terest, by the Laws of this Colony; and that all their
Objections to the money Bills as they stand, are entirely
removed; if not, I have the assurances of the chief
people here that they will be ready to secure them
by any subsequent Bill, in the Manner they desire: it
being their Intentions that all Sterling Debts due to
them should be fully satisfyed and paid.

I returned from Winchester on the 5th instant,
and found the Regiment not so complete as I wish'd.
the Men enter very unwillingly, it does not at pre-
-sent amount to quite 800, But as the recruiting is con- [P 324]
-tinued and the Body is daily encreasing, I am in
hopes that by the Time General Stanwix wants them
to join him, they will be tolerably complete. He is
now at Philadelphia, settling the Accts of Waggonage
of last Campaign, left unsettled by the late General
Forbes. The want of regular payments to the planters

for their Waggons, is the great and only Reason both in this Colony and pensilvania, of the Dif-ficulty of getting Provisions to the respective posts. provisions can be got, but Carriage for them meets with great Difficulties, which I hope will be overcome by the Generals Care in providing for the payments in a regular Manner.

The Men raised by this Colony are in ge-neral healthy active likely young fellows, who I hope will support the Reputation the Regiment gained in the Campaign of last year. they are now clothed and well appointed that they may be serviceable to his Majesty and the common Cause is the ardent Wish of,

my Lords

Yr. Lordships

most Obed.t Obliged

& devoted humn. Serv.t

Franc. Fauquier

The Rt. Honble the Lords of Trade &c.a

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Endorsed. Virginia / Letter from Lieut Gov.r / Fauquier, to the Board, / dated June 9th 1759, / giving an account of the / State of the Regiment raised / in the Colony. and hopes / the Laws he has passed / will be to the Satisfaction / of the Merchts of Great / Britain &c. inclosing, (viz.t) / Read Nov.r 14. 1759. / X. 40. / [in another hand] 4 Papers & Acts /

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Wmsburgh Augst 2d 1759. (p 339)

My Lords

I have nothing of importance to add to my Letter of the 14th ulto wch I did myself the Honor to write by the Randolph Captn Walker. I do not know what Success we have had in the purchase of Convicts to complete our Quota, having had no Return since Colonel Byrd is march'd with the Men he had to sustain, Fort Bedford (Rays Town) Fort Legonier (Loyal Hannon) so to keep the Communication open with Pittsburgh. The Enemy has appeared before Fort Legonier but were repulsed wth the Loss of one Officer kill'd and three private Men wounded. I apprehend they came with a Design to carry off any Cattle they might find without the Fort, but finding none they retired without attacking the post. It is said that the French have a body of 2000 including Canadians and Indians at their Forts of Presquisle, Ma: [illegible] chault or Fort le Bœuf, and Venango, and that they have plenty of provisions. As I apprehend the last part of the Intelligence must be false, I don't give much Credit to the other parts of it. Mr Stanwix will have between 3 and 400 real Effective Men under his Command as I imagine; whether he designs to keep upon the Defensive to secure the posts we

are in possession of, or to act offensively to get possession of the French Forts between the Mountains and the Lakes; I cannot say having not heard from him for some Time. If it was consistent with his Orders I could wish he was a little more communicative of his plan of Operations, as such Intelligences keep up the military Spirit of the Colony wch will be. gin to want all such Supports. when I last heard of him he was on his way from Philadelphia to the general Rendezvous, I shall expect an Express from him on his Arrival there as all our posts have been alarmed.

I am with the greatest Respect

My Lords

Yr. Lordshps

most Obed.t Oblig.d

and devoted Serv.t

Fran: Fauquier

To the Rt. Honble the Lords of Trade &c.a

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Endorsed. Virginia / Letter from F Fauquier / Lieut Gov.r of Virginia to the / Board, dated Aug.st 2.d 1759. / giving an acco.t of the March / of their Militia and to the / Strength of the French & / their Forts to the Southward / Read Nov.r 11th. 1759. / X. 74.

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Wmsburgh Augt. 30th. 1759 [Recd]

My Lords

A Ship which sails for Glascow to morrow, very fortunately gives me an Opportunity of transmitting to your Lordships the Copy of a Letter I recd by Express last night from Colonel Byrd; on the Subject of which I congratulate your Lordships. By the evacuation of these Forts, the Reduction of Niagara, and the Success of General Amherst on Lake Champlain, the whole Country between the Sea and the Lakes is clear; of which I hope we shall long keep the uninterrupted Possession. I have not heard from Brigr. Genl Stanwix, for some time, and do not know where he is at present.

As to the Information Mr. Byrd recd from his Indians in Relation to the Cherokee War, I have the greatest Reason to believe the Affair is amicably adjusted between them and us, in the accomodating which Govr. Lyttelton has been very active. Two Deputies from that Nation were down with me some Time since / Strings of white Wampum were exchanged, an Oblivion was promised reciprocally of all Skirmishes and Bloodshed wch pass'd last year and assurances given that if any Murder was committed the aggressor should be given up; in Consequence of wch We sent up a pretty large Cargo of Goods wch they sollicited for their Trade, and at the same Time [P. 382]

threatend them, that if they faild in their Engagements we would fall on them wth all our Force. The Success of this Convoy sent into their Country we do not yet know but if after this, they breath nothing but War, they will be more treacherous than ever Indians usualy are. As the Operations on this Side seem to be over by the Surrender of these last Forts, I am apprehensive the Assembly (wch I have call'd to meet on yt 13 of November, but wch probably will not then sit to go through the Country Business) will be for reduc-:ing their Expences as much and as soon as possible. I will endeavour to keep the Forces on foot till I have Honor to be informed of his Majesties pleasure. The sooner that is communicated to me, the greater Confi-:dence I can speak wth to the Assembly, and the
[P 393] more effectual Service I can do his Majesty and the com-:mon Cause.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

My Lords / Yr Lordships
most Obedt
and devoted
humn Servt

Fran: Fauquier

To the Rt Honble the Lords of Trade &ca

[P 394] Endorsed. Virginia / Letter from Francis Fauquier / Esqr Lieut Gov. of Virginia / dated Aug. 30. 1759 containing an Acct of the / progress of His Majtys Arms / upon the Ohio, &c inclosing / 2o.
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Sir

I have the pleasure to congratulate you on the Evacuation of Venango Presqu'isle & Le Beuf, which Forts the Enemy burnt and abandoned six days ago. By our Ohio Indians we learn the Cherokees have actually declared War against the English & have been soliciting them to join them. It will be necessary to keep a good look out on our Frontier.

The Remaining Part of our Campaign will be employ'd in establishing strong Posts on the Ohio, from whence I shall by every Opportunity advise you of every thing worth communicating.

I am with the higest Respect

Sir

Your most Obed: Hble Serv:

W: Byrd.

Fort Ligonier Aug: 15th 1759.

An Express arrived just now with the above Acc: from Pittsburgh, which is not to be doubted.

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Wmsburgh December 17th 1759. [Pays]

My Lords

In consequence of some Letters I recd from Gover. nor Lyttelton to give me Notice of some Commotions among the Cherokee Indians wch seemd to threaten Mischief to this & the Neighbouring Colonies; I call'd the general Assembly to meet on the first of Novem. ber instead of the 13th the Day to wch they stood prorogued, at their Meeting I laid these Letters and Informations, before them, as also the Letters I had recd from Generals Amherst and Stanwix, in answer to those I wrote to them to know their Sentiments about the keeping up our Forces, of wch I gave your Lordships an Acct in my Letter of the 13th Octr and I recommended these services to them in the manner your Lordships will see in the Journals. herewith sent you. They fell short of my expectations, and indeed of common prudence in providing for these Exigences, for they disbanded the two Companies of Artificers on the first of Decr the other three Companies on the South West Frontiers under Lt Colo Peachey They have provided for till the first of Febry when they are to be relieved by part of Colo Boyds Regi. ment; but they have not untied my Hands, as to marching them out of the Colony to the As-

sistance of Govr Lyttelton, if he should want them. As to the Regiment I have a power to leave 400 wth Genl Stanwix and I am to march the rest to occupy the posts where Colo Peachey's Men now are, these are provided to the first of May and no longer, all wch particulars your Lordships will observe in the act herewith sent. My speech at the dismissing the Assembly will shew yr Lordships that I was far from being satisfyed wth what they had done. I am of Opinion that Govr Lyttelton will not want our Assistance as he is gone up into the Cherokees Country wth a Little Army to demand or rather command peace, wch the Indians in their present situation unsupported by the French will scarcely be hardy enough to refuse him.

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But if he should have wanted us, it looks like Madness to have obliged me to march Men 600 Miles in Winter, and not give me power to make use of those wch were near at hand, and wch I had privately orderd down there on purpose to be ready. In providing for all these Men, the Assembly have endeavourd to avoid the Emission of new paper Currency Notes, by empowering their Treasurer to receive the whole or any part of the £50.000 voted by parliament, for the Southern

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Colonies, wch shall be paid unto his Hands by the person appointed by his Majesty to receive the same from his Royal Treasury, and thereout to pay for the Subsistance of these Men any Sum not exceeding £10.000. I have wrote to Mr Stanwix to desire he would be explicit as to the Service he expects and requires from our Troops for the ensuing Campaign: otherwise I fear by the turn of the Members they will be for disbanding the whole Corps on the first of May. If I should receive any acct of more Money Voted by the British Parliament, or a proportionable Remittance of the Money already voted agreably to the Affec. tionate Messages of his Majesty in Behalf of the Colonies; it would be a means of keeping up the Spirits of the Assembly wch seems to groan under the Expence they have been at.

Your Lordships will receive in the Box an Act entituled "An Act to oblige persons bring. "ing Slaves into this Colony from Maryland, Caro. "lina, and the West Indies, for their own use. to pay "a Duty." The Intent of this Act is to prevent Frauds daily put in practice to evade an Act wch has long been in force in this Colony; but wch appeared to me to be so contradictory to the 26th Instruction, that I called a Council, produced

the Instruction, shew'd my objection and desired their Opinion, as the persons appointed by his Majesty to be a Council of State to me, whether I could and ought to pass this Act, I told them that I was clear in my Opinion that I ought not, and did believe they would be so too, but that if contrary to my Expectations, they [P:297] should advise me to pass it, | I desired they would give me their Reasons in writing: that I might Transmit them to your Lordships which they accordingly did, and wch I have enclosed under Cover wth this. Out of Eight of the Coun-cil then present, there was but one against my passing the Act.

It may be necessary to explain the progress of this Act wch will make an odd appearance in the Journals. In order to prevent the fraud complain'd of, two Methods were thought of, one was by a Bill of this Nature, the other by a Bill to lessen the Duty one half, a Bill was brought in which, layd the Duty at 7l. per head, wch pass'd the Burgesses, when it came before the Coun-cil, I told some of the Gentlemen I should have objections to the Bill; they gave me to understand that I need not be uneasy for that they should throw it out wch they accordingly did. Upon

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this a Bill was Orderd into the House of Burgesses to lower the Duty one half. Several Members were gone out of Town, the Favourers of the former Bill, calld this a piece of Jockeyship and in their turn Jockeyed the promoters of this second Bill by offering an Amendment, This Amendment introduced the first Bill with the alteration of laying the Duty at 20 pr Cent instead of 7½ pr head. The Council to my Surprize passd this Bill as alterd, and to my greater Surprize still advised me to pass it also. I hope your Lordships will not condemn my proceedings herein, for I have the greatest ambition to obtain your approbation being

with the highest Respect

My Lords

Your Lordships

most Obedt & obliged

humn. Servt

Fran Fauquier.

To the right Honble the Lords of Trade &c

[Endorsed]

Endorsed. Virginia. / Letter from Jr. Fauquier / Esqr. / Lt. Gov. of Virginia / to the Board, dated Decr. 17. / 1759. relating to the Provision made by the / Assembly / for suppressing the Commotions among / the / Cherokees & keeping up / Forces for the ens. / suing / Campaign; containing / Observations on an / act / lately passed; ~~containing~~ /

Read May 8. 1760. / X. 93. /

no Papers came with this.

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Wmsburgh Mar 13th 1760.

My Lords

I have the pleasure to inform your Lordships that the Assembly wch I had summoned to meet on the 4th instant that I might have Time to give his Majesty's Commander in chief early Notice of the Intentions of this Colony in Relation to the Regi-ment, broke up on the 11th and to my unspeak-able Satisfaction unanimously resolved to continue the Regiment in pay. This Step gave me the more pleasure as it was entirely unexpected, for by the whole Tenour of the Discourse of the Burgesses, even those who had most strenuously supported the granting Supplies to his Majesty; I had Reason to ex-pect the Regiment was designed to be dropt. What occasioned this sudden alteration of Sentiments, so different from those I represent-ed to your Lordships in my Letter of the 17th December, I cannot determine. I have heard they altered their Minds on their meeting one another in Town, before they met in the House.

In my Letter of the 1st December to your Lordps I did my self the Honor to re-present to you the Necessity, as it appeard to me, of settling [P. 400] the Boundary Line of the

province of Pensylvania, and mentioned several other particulars relative to the settling the Lands on the Ohio, I must beg Leave to repeat my Sollicitations on that Head & to express my earnest Desire that I may be favourd with an Instruction from his Majesty directing me how I am to conduct myself on this Occasion. Fresh Difficulties arise daily. The Officers who have serv. :ed in this War, are very pressing to have the Lands near Fort du Quesne or Pittsburgh surv. :veyed, that they may be possessed of them. agreeably to the proclamation of W. Dinwiddie as they urge an equitable Right to them by their Service and the Dangers to which they have exposed themselves in the Recovery of them. They further urge that if we do not grant them, Pensylvania Will, and then by the Common usage, the Grantees Right will be confirmed, in whatever Colony the Lands may lie, and to whomsoever the Quit Rents may be payable.

The Objections to these Claims are as follows. It is uncertain in which Colony the Lands claimd lie. It is confidently said that by a Treaty wch Ge. :neral Forbes made with the Indians when took pos. :session of Pittsburgh, it was agreed that the Lands

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in Question should not be settled by White people; and that this Treaty has been since confirmed and enlarged by General Stanwix. That the Indians insisted that we should only build Forts to protect ourselves and them from the French, but shd not make Plantations in that Country, as it would take away their hunting Country, and drive them too far back. Whether these points are so or not We are not certain, as we have not received a Copy of either Treaty; But the Fact is, the Indians scalp every White Man they catch on the Western side the Ohio.

Upon these Considerations his Majestys Council here, have not seen into the granting these Lands wth that precipitation which the Gentlemen of the Army have wishd; fearing that by so doing they might irritate the Indians, and promote a Defection of them from our Interest.

The two great points in View, in driving the French from this Country, was, I conceive, to stop the Communication between Canada and New Orleans on this side the Lakes, and to get possession of the fertile Lands on the Ohio. How far we ought in Prudence to proceed on the Latter, at present, I submit to your Lordships superior Knowledge and Judgment.

If it should be your Lordships Opinion, and his Majesty's pleasure, that We should not proceed in the making these Grants; I hope your Lordp.s will think it adviseable, and accordingly enjoin [Power] the proprietary's Agents, not to make any such Grants on their part; for if the Lands are to be settled, the Gentlemen who now claim under the proclamation seem to have purchased their Prior Right by the Hazard of their Lives.

I have wrote to General Stanwix for Copies of these Treaties, that we may have all the Materials requisite for our Conducting ourselves properly.

I have had the Honor to receive two Letters from your right hon.ble Board by the last New York Mail wch arrived; viz of the 18.th & 20.th Nov.r last. In Obedience to his Majesty's Commands, notifyed in the first, I have issued out a proclamation to return Thanks to Almighty God for the signal Successes wch which he has vouchsafed to bless his Majesty's Arms, on Tuesday the 8.th of April.

In Relation to that of Nov.r 20.th I am extremely happy that my Reasons in Relation to the Treasurership found such Weight wth your Lordships, as to induce you to postpone the

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pushing that Affair; which I am confident would have been attended with bad Consequences to his Majesty's Service in the present Situation of Affairs, which is the Object I have always uppermost in my Thoughts; chiefly at Heart in all my Transac-tions. If Your Lordships compare the Act I pass'd with others of the same Nature pass'd [P.W.O.] by Governors Dinwiddie and Gooch I am humbly of Opinion you will find nothing particular in the Act of 1758 pass'd by me. I have my self examined the Act appointing a Treasurer pass'd in 1748. by Sr Wm Gooch, those pass'd in 1752, and 1756 by Governor Dinwiddie, all of wch are expressed in the same Terms, as to the Office of Treasurer continuing as long as he shall be Speaker, and to the End of the next Session of Assembly; wch is the Para-graph I apprehend your Lordships hint at. I am told that every Act of this Sort from the Year 1741 have been constantly copied from one to the following, but of this I am not certain, as I have not examined them: as they have been long expired they are not printed in the Book of Laws reprinted at the revisals in 1748.

As soon as I can get the Acts and Jour:

. vals of this short Session copied from the re-
. spective Offices, I will transmit them to your
Lordships with the Duplicates of the papers I sent
by the Deliverance Capt.n White in December.

I am with the greatest Respect

My Lords

Your Lord.ps most Obed.t
& obliged hum. Serv.t

Fran: Fauquier

To the right hon.ble the Lord.s Com.rs of Trade.

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Endorsed. Virginia. / Letter from L.t Gov.r / Fauquier
to the Board, / dated March 13, 1760 / stating his
Difficulties / with regard to the Boundary / Line of
Pensylvania, / & settling the Lands on / the Ohio;
& acknowledging / the Receipt of two of / the
Board's Letters dated / in Nov.r last. /
Read May 8. 1760. / X. 94.

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The Acco.t of his Majestys Revenue of Quitrents &c. Arising within this Colony of Virginia for the Year 1755

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The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows			
To Ballance of the last Acco.t	£	4909	6 10
To the Quitrents of the Northern Neck for the Year 1755.		6	13 14
To the Acco.t of Composition for Escheated Lands		1	13 7

Quitrents for the Year 1755

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for.	Paid in Money	Sheriffs allowances	Amount
Amelia	366051	£ 366 1 -	£ 36 12 1	£ 329 8 11
Augusta	215000	£ 215 - -	£ 21 10 -	193 10 -
Albemarle				
Accomack	233588	£ 233 11 9	£ 23 7 2	210 4 7
Brunswick	220000	£ 220 - -	£ 22 - -	198 - -
Bedford				
Caroline				
Charles City	100000	£ 100 - -	£ 10 - -	90 - -
Cumberland	140000	£ 140 - -	£ 14 - -	126 - -
Chesterfield	205000	£ 205 - -	£ 20 10 -	184 10 -
Dinwiddie				
Elizabeth City	32930	£ 32 18 7	£ 3 5 10	29 12 9
Essex	143723	£ 143 14 5	£ 14 7 5	129 7 -
Gloucester	105000	£ 105 - -	£ 10 10 -	94 10 -
Goochland				
Hanover	60000	£ 60 - -	£ 6 - -	54 - -

Counties Names	Number of acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs allowances	Amount		
Henrico	116702	£ 116 14 -	£ 11 13 4	105 - 8		
Halifax	65000	£ 65 - -	£ 6 10 -	58 10 -		
James City	87454	£ 87 9 1	£ 8 14 11	78 14 2		
Isle of Wight	139215	£ 139 4 3	£ 13 18 5	125 5 10		
King William	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -		
King & Queen	184438	£ 184 8 9	£ 18 8 10	166 19 11		
Louisa	130000	£ 130 - -	£ 13 - -	117 - -		
Lunenburgh	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -		
Middlesex	73266	£ 73 5 4	£ 7 6 6	65 18 10		
Nansemond	153453	£ 153 9 1	£ 15 6 11	138 2 2		
Norfolk	60000	£ 60 - -	£ 6 - -	54 - -		
Northampton	104313	£ 104 6 3	£ 10 8 7	93 17 8		
New Kent	50000	£ 50 - -	£ 5 - -	45 - -		
Orange	150000	£ 150 - -	£ 15 - -	135 - -		
Prince George	138592	£ 138 11 10	£ 13 17 2	124 14 8		
Princess Ann	115000	£ 115 - -	£ 11 10 -	103 10 -		
Prince Edward	150000	£ 150 - -	£ 15 - -	135 - -		
Spotsylvania	244676	£ 244 13 6	£ 24 9 4	220 4 2		
Surry	136313	£ 136 6 3	£ 13 12 7	122 13 8		
Southampton	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -		
Sussex	110000	£ 110 - -	£ 11 - -	99 - -		
Warwick	39561	£ 39 11 3	£ 3 19 1	35 12 2		
York	35000	£ 35 - -	£ 3 10 -	31 10 -	3693	17 2
					£ 861	10 11

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Arrears of Quitrents paid in the Year 1755

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for.	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount
Amelia	6028	£ 6 - 7	£ - 12 -	£ 5 8 7
Ditto	168379	£ 168 7 7	£ 16 16 9	151 10 10
Augusta	165000	£ 165 - -	£ 16 10 -	148 10 -
Albemarle	225000	£ 225 - -	£ 22 10 -	202 10 -
Caroline	115000	£ 115 - -	£ 11 10 -	103 10 -
Ditto for 1753	41726	£ 41 14 6	£ 4 3 5	37 11 1
Charles City	60000	£ 60 - -	£ 6 - -	54 - -
Cumberland	81601	£ 81 12 -	£ 8 3 2	73 8 10
Dinwiddie	135000	£ 135 - -	£ 13 10 -	121 10 -
Elizabeth City	1613	£ 1 12 3	£ - 3 2	1 9 1
Essex	786	£ - 15 9	£ - 1 7	14 2
Gloucester	75000	£ 75 - -	£ 7 10 -	67 10 -
Goochland	32109	£ 32 2 2	£ 3 4 2	28 18 -
James City	400	£ - 8 -	£ - - 9	- 7 3
Isle of Wight	1300	£ 1 6 -	£ - 2 7	1 3 5
Ditto	27387	£ 27 7 9	£ 2 14 9	24 13 -
Louisa	79882	£ 79 17 8	£ 7 19 9	71 17 11
Nansemond	13453	£ 13 9 -	£ 1 6 10	12 2 2
Norfolk	133936	£ 139 18 9	£ 13 7 10	120 10 11
Orange for 1753	87127	£ 87 2 6	£ 8 14 3	78 8 3
Prince George	147875	£ 147 17 6	£ 14 15 9	133 1 9

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amounts	
[Prince George] for 1753	65000	£ 65 - -	£ 6 10 -	58 10 -	
Prince Edward....	160485	£ 160 9 8	£ 16 - 11	144 8 9	
Spotsylvania....	1900	£ 1 18 -	£ - 3 9	1 11 3	
Surry.....	65000	£ 65 - -	£ 6 10 -	58 10 -	
Sussex.....	6173	£ 6 3 5	£ - 12 11	5 11 1	
Warwick.....	800	£ - 16 -	£ - 1 7	- 14 5	
York.....	32021	£ 32 - 5	£ 3 14 -	28 16 5	
Received of Sundry Persons in several Counties				56 4 11	1793 5 1
					£ 1040 4 16 -

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The Receiver General doth Discharge himself			
By paid to the Right Honorable Horatio Walpole Esq^{r} on his Majesty's Warrant one Years Allowance ending the 25 th of October 1756	£ 150	-	-
By paid to M^{r} Commissary Dawson on His Majesty's Warrant one years Salary ending the 25 th of October 1756	100	-	-
By two Warrants to the Attorney General for one Years Allowance ending the 25 th of October 1756	70	-	-
By Allowance of ½ p^{ct} for negotiating the Bills of Exchange in London	27	9	6
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p^{ct} on £ 5494.9.2	274	14	5
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	274	14	5
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to	£ 897	-	4
And there will remain due to Ballance this Acco^{t}	9507	15	8
	£ 10404	16	-

Philip Gwynne Rec^{r} Gen^{l}

[per] I have Examined the within Acco.t of his Majestys Revenue of Quitrents for the year 1755 and have compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esq.r Receiver General & find the Charge thereof amounting to Two thousand four hundred & four pounds Sixteen shillings & the Discharge to Eight hund.red ninety seven Pounds & four pence both truly stated, so that there is due to his Majestys Revenue for Ball.ance of this Acco.t Nine thousand five hundred & Seven pounds fifteen Shillings & Eight pence Sterling

John Blair D. Aud.r

November 11th 1756.

The within Acco.t Compared & Examined by John Blair Esq.r Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council & sworn to by Philip Grymes Esq.r Receiver General.

Robt Dinwiddie

Endorsed. Virginia. / Account of His Majestys / Revenue of Quit Rents, &c. / arising in the Colony of Virg.a / for the Year 1755. / Rec.d with Lieut. Govr. Din. widdies / Lett.r dated 11th Jan.ry 1757. / Rec.d March y.e 3.d / Read ——— 4 } 1757 / N.11. /

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The Acco.t of his Majestys Revenue of 2p.ct p hogshead &c. Arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25 th of April to the 26 th of October 1756.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows			
To Ballance of the last Acco.t	£	93	13 1
The Acco.t of the Upper District of James River		656	12 11
The Acco.t of the Lower District of James River		210	15 -
The Acco.t of the District of York River		655	5 9
The Acco.t of the District of Rappahannock River		731	6 8
The Acco.t of the District of South Potomack		178	10 11
The Acco.t of the Port of Accomack		---	- -
The Acco.t of Sundry Rights of Land sold		238	14 -
The Acco.t of Fines and Forfeitures		265	11 1
The Warrant for paying to the Right Honourable William Pitt Esq.r in Acco.t to October 1755 not paid		2000	- -
	£	5032	1 11 -
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums			
By a Warrant for half a Years Salary to the Governor		1000	- -
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council		600	- -
By a Warr.t to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer		100	- -
By a Warrant to the Right Honourable Horatio Walpole Esq.r Auditor of the Plantations for half a Years Salary		50	- -

By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr. Solicitor of the Virginia affairs for half a Years Salary	100	-	-
By a Warrt. to Peyton Randolph Esqr. his Majestys Attorney General for Do.	35	-	-
By a Warrant to Nathaniel Walthoe Esqr. Clerk of the Council for Do.	50	-	-
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a Years Salary	160	-	-
By a Warrant to Joseph Davenport Armourer for Ditto	6	-	-
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	18	10	-
By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court & Assembly	12	-	-
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	53	8	2
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	2533	-	1
By Allowance to the Receiver General of ½ pcb. on £9144.5.3 for negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	4	14	5
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 pcb. on £2936.8.3	146	16	5
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	146	16	5
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to	£5016	5	6
And there will remain due to Ballance this Acct	13	15	10
	£5030	1	4

Philip Grymes Recr. Genl.

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I have Examined the within Acco^{t} of his Majesty's [Pro(v)] Revenue Commencing the 25 th of April 1756 & Ending the 25 th of October 1756 and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esq^{r} Receiver General & find the Charge thereof amounting to Five thousand thirty Pounds one Shilling and four pence, & the Discharge to Five thousand sixteen pounds five Shillings & Six pence both truly stated, So that there is due to his Majesty's Revenue for Ballance of this Acco^{t} Thirteen Pounds fifteen Shillings & ten pence Sterling

John. Blair D. Aud^{r}

November 11 th 1756.

The within Acco^{t} Compared & Examined by John Blair Esq^{r} Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council & sworn to by Philip Grymes Esq^{r} Receiver General

Rob^{t} Dinwiddie

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The Acco^t. of his Majesty's Revenue of 2^s p Hogshead &c^a Arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of October 1756 to the 25th of April 1757. [p. 65]

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows.			
To Ballance of the last Acco^t.	£ 13	15	10
The Acco^t. of the upper District of James River	639	12	8
The Acco^t. of the Lower District of James River	102	8	4
The Acco^t. of the District of York River	295	18	–
The Acco^t of the District of Rappahannock River	273	15	5
The Acco^t of the District of South Potomack	193	8	7
The Acco^t of the Port of Accomack			
The Acco^t. of Sundry Rights of Land sold	111	10	8
The Acco^t. of Fines and Forfeitures	21	12	–
So that the whole Receipt amounts to	£ 1652	1	6
And there will remain due to the Receiver Generall to Ballance this Acco^t	1283	7	–
	£ 2935	8	6

The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums

By a Warrant for half a Years Salary to the Governor	£ 1000	–	–
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600	–	–
By a Warr^t. to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer	100	–	–
By a Warrant to the Right Honourable Horatio Lord Walpole Auditor of the Plantations for half a Years Salary	50	–	–

By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esq.r Solliciter of the Virginia Affairs for half a years Salary	100	-	-
By a Warr.t to Peyton Randolph Esq.r his Majestys Attorney General for D.o	35	-	-
By a Warrant to Nathan.l Wallhoe Esq.r Clerk of the Council for D.o	50	-	-
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a Years Salary	120	-	-
By a Warrant to Joseph Davenport Armourer for D.o	6	-	-
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for D.o	18	10	-
By a Warr.t to the Ministers attending one General Court & Assembly	8	-	-
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	10	-	-
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	668	18	5
By Allowance to the Receiver General of ½ p.c.t on £1036-6-7 for negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	5	3	7
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p.c.t on £1638-5--	81	18	3
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	81	18	3
	£2935	8	6

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I have Examined the within Accot of his Majestys [p. 66]
Revenue Commencing the 25th of October 1756 and
ending the 25th of April 1757 and have Compared
every Article with its proper Voucher produced by
Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General and find the
same to be truly stated, and that there is due
to the said Receiver General for Ballance thereof
one thousand two hundred Eighty three pounds
and seven shillings Sterling

John Blair D. Audr

May 7th 1757.
The within Accot Compared and Examined by John
Blair Esqr Deputy Auditor was produced to me in
Council and sworn to by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General.

Robt Dinwiddie.

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The Accot. of his Majestys Revenue of 2½ p Hogshead &c. Arising within [illegible]
this Colony of Virginia from the 25th. of Octobr. 1756 to the 25th of April 1757

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows			
To the Accot. of the Upper District of James River	£	625 3 3	
The Accot. of the Lower District of James River		369 16 3	
The Accot. of the District of York River		380 12 -	
The Accot. of the District of Rappahannock River		435 17 3	
The Accot. of the District of South Potomack		490 11 -	
The Accot. of the Port of Accomack to Octr. 1757		19 7 -	
The Accot. of Sundry Rights of Land sold		191 6 8	
The Accot of Fines and Forfeitures		15 18	
So that the whole Receipt amounts to	£	2528 12 10	
And there will remain due to the Receiver General to Ballance this Accot.		986 1 11	
	£	3514 14 9	
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums			
By Ballance of the last Accot.	£	488 9 10	
By a Warrant for half a Years Salary to the Governor		1000 - -	
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council		600 - -	
By a Warrt. to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer		100 - -	
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robert Kholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a Years Salary		50 - -	
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr. Solliciter of the Virginia affairs for Ditto		100 - -	

By a Warr.t to Peyton Randolph Esq.r his Majestys Attorney General for D.o	35	-	-
By a Warrant to Nathaniel Walthoe Esq.r Clerk of the Council for D.o	50	-	-
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a Years Salary...	120	-	-
By a Warrant to Joseph Davenport Armourer for Ditto..	6	-	-
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for D.o..	12	10	-
By a Warr.t to the Ministers attending one General Court & Assembly	22	-	-
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	10	-	-
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	638	16	11
By Allowance to the Receiver General of 2½ p.Cent. on £1808.15.11 for negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	9	-	10
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p.Cent on £2528.12.10	126	8	7
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum.	126	8	7
	£351	14	9

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I have Examined the within Accot of his Majesty's Revenue Commencing the 26th of October 1757 and ending the 25th of April 1758 and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General and find the same truly Stated, and that there is due to the said Receiver General for Ballance thereof Nine hundred Eighty six pounds one Shilling and Eleven pence Sterling.

John Blair D. Audt.

May 6th, 1758

The within Accot Compared and Examined by John Blair Esqr Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Coun. cil and Sworn to by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General.

John Blair. C

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The Accot. of his Majestys Revenue of 2½ phogshead &c. arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of April to the 25th of October 1758. [1337]

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows			
To the Accot. of the Upper District of James River	£ 126	10	10
The Accot. of the Lower District of James River	346	12	9
The Accot. of the District of York River	1037	13	10
The Accot. of the District of Rappahannock River	1242	10	1
The Accot. of the District of South Potomack	497	8	5
The Accot. of the Port of Accomack	—	—	—
The Accot. of Sundry Rights of Land sold	129	14	8
The Accot. of Fines and Forfeitures	7	11	3
So that the whole Receipt amounts to	£ 4523	1	10
And there will remain due to the Receiver General to Ballance this Accot.	893	17	3
	£ 5416	19	1
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums			
By Ballance of the last Accot.	£ 986	1	11
By a Warrant for half a Years Salary to the Governor	1000	—	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600	—	—
By a Warrant to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer	100	—	—
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robert Ekol. mondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a Years Salary	50	—	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr Solicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100	—	—

By a Warr.t to Peyton Randolph Esq.r his Majestys Attorney General for Ditto	33	-	-
By a Warr.t to Nathaniel Walthoe Esq.r Clerk of the Council for Ditto	50	-	-
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a Years Salary	120	-	-
By a Warrant to Joseph Davenport Armourer for Ditto	6	-	-
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	12	10	-
By a Warr.t to the Ministers attending one General Court & Assembly	18	-	-
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	162	15	2
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	1707	7	3
By Allowance to the Receiver General of ½ p.c.t on £3386-3-5 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	16	19	7
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p.c.t on £4523-1-10	226	3	1
By allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum			
	£5416	19	1

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I have Examinined the within Acco: of his Majestys [P: 288]
Revenue Commencing the 25th of April 1758 and Ending
the 25th of October 1758 and have Compared every Article
with its proper Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esq:
Receiver General and find the same truly stated,
and that there is due to the said Receiver General
for Ballance thereof Eight hundred Ninety three
Pounds seventeen Shillings & three pence Sterling.

John Blair. D. and:

November 6th 1758

The within Acco: Compared & Examined by John Blair
Esq: Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and
sworn to by Philip Grymes Esq: Receiver General.

Fran: Fauquier.

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Endorsed. Virginia / An Account of His Majestys / Revenue of 2s 6p Stthg &c. / arising with the Colony of / Virginia from the 25 April / to the 25. October 1758. /

Recd May 12 } 1759. / X. 50
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The Acco.t of his Majestys Revenue of Quitrents &c arising within this [p. 241]
Colony of Virginia for the Year 1757.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself
with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows

To Ballance of the last Acco.t	£ 1209 2 2
To the Quitrents of the Northern Neck for the Year 1757	6 13 4
To the Acco.t of Compositions for Escheated Lands	- - -

Quitrents for the Year 1757

Counties Names	Number of acres paid for.	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount
Amelia	370000	£ 370 - -	£ 37 - -	£ 333 - -
Augusta	300000	£ 300 - -	£ 30 - -	270 - -
Albemarle	440000	£ 440 - -	£ 44 - -	396 - -
Accomack	233379	£ 233 7 7	£ 23 6 9	210 - 10
Brunswick	170000	£ 170 - -	£ 17 - -	153 - -
Bedford	110000	£ 110 - -	£ 11 - -	99 - -
Caroline	240000	£ 240 - -	£ 24 - -	216 - -
Charles City	90000	£ 90 - -	£ 9 - -	81 - -
Cumberland	200000	£ 200 - -	£ 20 - -	180 - -
Chesterfield	248604	£ 248 12 1	£ 24 17 2	223 14 11
Dinwiddie	170000	£ 170 - -	£ 17 - -	153 - -
Elizabeth City	20000	£ 20 - -	£ 2 - -	18 - -
Essex	144821	£ 144 16 5	£ 14 9 7	130 6 10
Gloucester	120000	£ 120 - -	£ 12 - -	108 - -
Goochland	140000	£ 140 - -	£ 14 - -	126 - -
Hanover	140000	£ 140 - -	£ 14 - -	126 - -

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount
Henrico	130000	£130 - -	£13 - -	117 - -
Hallifax				
James City	70000	£ 70 - -	£7 - -	63 - -
Isle of Wight				
King William	110000	£110 - -	£11 - -	99 - -
King & Queen	180000	£180 - -	£18 - -	162 - -
Louisa				
Lunenburgh				
Middlesex	75350	£ 75 7 -	£7 10 8	67 16 4
Nansemond	164274	£164 5 6	£16 8 6	147 17 -
Norfolk	130300	£130 - -	£13 - -	117 - -
Northampton	104297	£104 6 -	£10 8 7	93 17 5
New Kent	50000	£ 50 - -	£5 - -	45 - -
Orange				
Prince George	150000	£150 - -	£15 - -	135 - -
Princess Ann	80000	£ 80 - -	£8 - -	72 - -
Prince Edward	172871	£172 17 5	£17 5 8	155 11 9
Spotslyvania	241448	£241 8 11	£24 2 11	217 6 -
Surry	130000	£130 - -	£13 - -	117 - -
Southampton	230000	£230 - -	£23 - -	207 - -
Sussex	227023	£227 - 5	£22 14 -	204 6 5
Warwick	39000	£ 39 - -	£3 18 -	35 2 -
York	40000	£ 40 - -	£4 - -	36 - -
				£1491 14 19 6
				£1401 13 16 -

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Arrears of Quitrents paid in the Year 1754

Counties Names	Acres paid	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount
Augusta 1755	27409	£ 27 8 2	£ 2 14 10	£ 24 13 14
Ditto 1754	50446	£ 50 8 11	£ 5 - 11	45 8 -
Brunswick	319140	£ 319 2 10	£ 31 18 3	287 14 7
Ditto 1755	80796	£ 80 14 8	£ 8 1 5	72 13 3
Bedford	56051	£ 56 1 0	£ 5 12 1	50 8 11
Caroline	238657	£ 236 13 9	£ 23 13 4	213 0 5
Chesterfield	2470	£ 2 9 5	£ 0 14 11	2 14 6
Dinwiddie	210000	£ 210 0 0	£ 21 0 0	189 0 0
Goochland	43139	£ 43 2 9	£ 4 6 3	38 16 6
Ditto 1755	58991	£ 58 19 10	£ 5 17 11	53 1 11
Hanover	119859	£ 119 17 2	£ 11 19 8	107 17 6
Halifax	105000	£ 105 0 0	£ 10 10 0	94 10 0
King & Queen ...	38552	£ 38 11 0	£ 3 17 1	34 13 11
Nansemond	12046	£ 12 0 11	£ 1 8 1	10 16 10
Norfolk	26896	£ 26 17 11	£ 2 13 9	24 4 2
New Kent ...1755	5494	£ 5 9 10	£ 0 11 0	4 18 10
Ditto 1754	5494	£ 5 9 10	£ 0 11 0	4 18 10
Middlesex	365	£ 0 7 3	£ 0 0 8	0 6 7
Orange	210000	£ 210 0 0	£ 21 0 0	189 0 0
Ditto 1751	134904	£ 134 8 1	£ 13 9 10	121 8 3

Counties Names	Acres paid	Paid in Money	Sheriffs allowance	Amount	
Prince George...	36909	£ 36 18 2	£ 3 13 9	33 4 5	
Prince Edward..	1184	£ 1 3 9	£ 0 2 4	1 1 5	
Ditto	10034	£ 10 0 8	£ 1 0 0	9 0 8	
Spotsylvania..	3708	£ 3 14 2	£ 0 7 5	3 6 9	
Southampton..	106665	£ 106 13 4	£ 10 13 4	96 0 0	
Warwicke....	5362	£ 5 7 3	£ 0 10 8	4 16 7	
York	29483	£ 29 15 8	£ 2 19 4	26 16 1	
Received of Sundry Persons in several Counties				32 18 6	
					1495 10 9
					£1859 6 9

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The Receiver General doth Discharge himself

By paid to the Honble & Reverend Robert Kholmondeley on his Majes.tys Warrant one Years Allowance ending the 25th of October 1758..	£ 150	- -
By paid to Mr. Commissary Dawson on his Majestys Warrant one Years Salary ending the 25th of October 1758.....	100	- -
By two Warrants to the Attorney General for one Years Salary ending the 25th of October 1758.....	70	- -
By his Majestys Warrant dated at St. James's the 27th day of February 1758 for paying to James West Esqr. or to his Assigns	5540	- -
By Allowance of ½ pCt. for Negotiating the Bills of Exchange in London	33	7 1
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 pCt. on..£6697.. 3.. 7..	334	17 2
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	334	17 2
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to....	£6563	11 -
And there will remain due to Ballance this Account	12226	2 1
	£18789	6 9

Philip Gwynnes Recr Genl

[P 7[illegible]]

I have Examined the within Acco[t] of his Majestys Revenue of Quitrents for the Year 1757 & have Compared every Article with its Proper Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esq[r] Re-ceiver General & find the Charge thereof amounting to Eighteen thousand seven hundred eighty nine Pounds six Shillings & nine pence, and the Discharge to Six thou-sand five hundred sixty three Pounds four Shillings both truly Stated, so that there is due to his Majestys Rev-enue for Ballance of this Acco[t] Twelve thousand two hundred twenty six Pounds two Shillings and nine Pence Sterling—

John Blair D. Aud[r]

November 11[th] 1758.

The within Acco[t] Compared and Examined by John Blair Esq[r] Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and sworn to by Philip Grymes Esq[r] Receiver Gen[l]

Fran: Fauquier.

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Endorsed. Virginia. / An Account of His Majestys / Revenue of Quitrents &c / arising within the Colony of / Virginia for the Year 1757. / Recd May 12 } 1759. / Read —— 23 } 1759. / X. 51.

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The Acco.t of his Majestys Revenue of Apphogahead &c. Arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of October 1758 to the 25th of April 1759

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows	
To the Acco.t of the Upper District of James River	£ 391. 1. 1
The Acco.t of the Lower District of James River	434. 16. 4
The Acco.t of the District of York River	124. 3. -
The Acco.t of the District of Rappahanock River	129. 17. 4
The Acco.t of the District of South Potomack	264. 16. 6
The Acco.t of the Port of Accomack	- - -
The Acco.t of Sundry Rights of Land sold	220. - .8
The Acco.t of Fines and Forfeitures	- - -
So that the whole Receipt amounts to	£ 1564. 15. 4
And there will remain due to the Receiver General to Ballance this Acco.t	2193. 1. 3
	£ 3757. 16. 7
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the payment of the following Sums	
By Ballance of the last Acco.t	£ 893. 17. 3
By a Warrant for half a Years Salary to the Governor	1000. - -
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600. - -
By a Warrant to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer	100. - -
By a Warrant to the Hontble & Reverend Robert Cholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a years Salary	50. - -
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esq.r Solliciter of the Virginia affairs for Ditto	100. - -

By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esqr his Majestys Attorney General for Ditto	35	-	-
By a Warrant to Nathl Walthoe Esqr Clerk of the Council for Ditto	50	-	-
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a years Salary	120	-	-
By a Warrant to Joseph Davenport Armourer for Ditto	6	-	-
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	12	10	-
By a Warrant to the Ministers Attending one General Court & Assembly	24	-	-
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	164	9	5
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	441	-	6
By Allowance to the Receiver General of half pct on £299.2.3 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	4	9	11
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 pct on £1564.15.4	78	4	9
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	78	4	9
	£375	16	4

Philip Grymes Rect Genl

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I have Examined the within Acco.t of his Majestys Revenue [p 333]
Commencing the 25th of October 1758 and ending the 25th of
April 1759 & have Compared every Article with its proper
Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esq.r Receiver General
and find the same truly stated and that there is
due to the said Receiver General for Ballance
thereof Two thousand one hundred & ninety three Pounds
one Shilling & three pence Sterling

John Blair D. Aud.r

May 6th 1759.
The within Acco.t Compared and Examined by John
Blair Esq.r Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Coun-
cil and sworn to by Philip Grymes Esq.r Receiver General

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Wmsburgh Sept. 17th 1760

My Lords/

I yesterday recd the disagreeable News of the Garrison of Londoun Fort in the Cherokee Country being treacherously and barbarously murdered, or taken, in their March down to Fort prince George, at Keowee in the lower Settlements, agreeable to a Capitulation made by Captain Demeré Commandant in the Fort wth the Head Warriors of the Indians: a Copy of wch I herewith inclose to your Lordships, who in all probability will have recd an Account thereof before this will reach your Lordships.

After the Retreat of Colonel Montgomery from the lower Cherokee Country who had 2000 Men under his Command the Majority of wch were Regulars; it was not thought adviseable to let Colonel Byrd wth 1000 Men mostly new levies march into the Enemy's Country wth our Convoy of Provisions wch we had purchased for the Relief of the Garrison, when there was no Diversion in the lower Towns, and the united Force of the whole Na-tion was at Liberty to Oppose our throwing in the Suc-cours intended. It was very fortunate and providen-tial that We were so late; for it would have been absolutely impossible for/ Mr Byrd to have been at the [f. 2]
Fort by the Time Capt. Demeré signed the Capitulation, and if he had been advanced far into the Enemy's

Country, in all probability our whole Convoy had been lost; and the provisions we designed for our Friends had fallen to the Lot of our Enemies. Tho' I must at the same time own, that the many unforeseen Delays in arming and providing for our Men, gave me great uneasiness when they happened. This must have happened for as far as I can learn, no attempt was made to give Mr. Byrd who was on his March the least Intelligence of this Step of the Commandant who has lost his Life at the Head of his Garrison on his March tho' escorted by Indians. I suppose it was utterly impracticable to keep open a Communication in those parts.

If this Warr grows serious it will be impossible for the Carolinas to defend themselves wthout assistance from Mr. Amherst. I dare say this Colony will do all in their power, their Interest is at Stake; but I am of Opinion, the Security and Safety of part of his Majesty's Colonys cannot be procured by provincial Troops only.

I wrote to your Lordships on the 1st instant (in answer to your Favour of the 13d June) by the Spotswood, Seton, for Bristol, and am

with the greatest Respect, My Lords

Yr Lordsps most Obedt

Obliged & devoted Servant

Fran: Fauquier

The right hon.ble the Lords of Trade &c.

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[7.4]

Endorsed Virginia/ Letter from Fra. Fauquier/ Esqr Lieut. Govr
of Virginia/ dated Septr 17th 1760/ informing the Board of the/
Surrender of Fort Loudoun/ to the Indians by Capitulation/
and of the Murder and/ Captivity of all the Troops/ of the
said Garrison &/ inclosing

Recd Novemr 10 } 1760/ Y. 1
Read Dr 11 }

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(Copy)

On the 9th August Captain John Stuart set out to Chotee, accompanied by Lt. Jas Adamson & some Indians where the following terms were Stipulated.

Articles of Capitulation agreed upon, and assented to by Captain Paul Demere Commanding His Majes.ty's Forces at Fort Loudoun, and the Head Men and Warriors of the Over Hill Cherokee Towns.

1st That the Garrison of Fort Loudoun, march out with their Arms and Drums, each Soldier having as much powder and Ball as their Officers shall think necessary for the March, and what Baggage he may choose to carry.

2d That the Garrison be permitted to March for Virginia, or Fort Prince George, as the Commanding Officer shall think proper unmolested, and that a Number of Indians be ap.pointed to escort them, and to hunt for Provisions on the March.

3d That such Soldiers as are lame, or by Sickness disabled from Marching, be received into the Indian Towns, and kindly used untill they recover, and then to be returned to Fort Prince George.

4th That the Indians do provide the Garrison with as many Horses as they can conveniently for their March, agreeing with the Soldiers or Officers for payment.

5th That the Fort, Great Guns powder, Ball, and spare Arms be deliverid to the Indians, without any Fraud on the Day appointed for the March of the Troops.

Cunnii (his mark) Catogue

Ouconnastote (his mark)

Signed

Paul Demere.

[1st] Endorsed Virginia/ Copy of yt Capitulation/ for/ Fort Loudoun/ Recvd with Lt Govr/ Fauquiers Ltr of Sept 17./ 1760. -/ Recvd Novemr 10/ Read " " 11/ 1760

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Copy.

Williamsburgh May 7th 1760

Sr.

My Predecessor Mr. Dinwiddie, by Authority of his Majesty Notifyed by one of his principal Secretary's of State; issued a proclamation to encourage persons to en-gage in the Services then proposed to be carried on a-gainst Fort du Quesne, and other French Settlements on the Waters of the Ohio. In this proclamation he promised a grant of 200,000 Acres of Land on the east side of that River, to be Apportioned to the Officers and pri-vate Men who should voluntarily enter into that Ser-vice, 100,000 of wch were to be contiguous to Pittsburgh or Fort du Quesne, the other 100,000 on some other part of that River.

In consequence of this promise by Authority, The Officers and Men who served on the Ohio have laid in their Claims to me in Council, to have these Lands immediately granted to them wch they say they have merited at the Hazard of their Health and Lives.

But some Difficulties arising from the Bounds of your Colony not being settled, and from the treaties wch it is said Genl Forbes made and Genl Stanwix has since confirmed wth the Indians inhabiting that Country (but wch I have not yet seen). This Colony has done nothing in that Affair.

I have also to inform you that about three Months since I wrote to the right Honble the Board of Trade and Plantations: in wch Letter I informed them of these [p.114] Claims; / and of the Difficulties wch Attended our granting these Lands; desiring at the same Time that Commission-ers might be appointed by the Crown to settle the Extant of your Line wch is to run 5 Degrees due West from Delaware Bay in the Latitude of 40 North: and that the Proprietors of Pensylvania or Maryland might be re-strained from Making any Grants of Lands, wch from our Scrupulous Observance of Treaties wch We did not think proper to make our Selves, till his Majesty's pleasure was known thereon. On wch Head I desired I might have In-structions as soon as conveniently could be.

By advice of his Majesty's Council, on these Con-siderations I have postponed the Making any Grants of the Lands in Question, till I receive Directions from Home relative thereto. And that a perfect Harmony and Unanimity may at all times subsist between the Sister Colonies of the same Common Mother on wch the Safety and Se-curity of all depend, I have to request you that you on your parts, would, as we have on ours, postpone the granting those Lands till such Instructions arrive wch shall be immediately made known to you. And if you shall already have made any such Grants, I beg the Favour of you to inform me thereof, as to the

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Quantity, the Situation and the Names of the Grantees.

I am wth the greatest Regard

Sr

Your very humble Servt.

Fran: Fauquier

To Govr. Hamilton

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Endorsed Virginia/ Copy of a Letter from/ Frans Fauquier Esqr/ Lieut Govr. of Virginia/ to Govr Hamilton dated/ May 7th 1760, re. lating to/ the granting the Lands on/ the Ohio./ Read with Lieut Govr./ Fauquier's Ltr of 12 May/1760 /Read Nov. 19. 1760./ Y. 4

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Triplicate

Williamsburgh Dec^r 1^st 1759.

My Lords.

I inclose to your Lordships a Copy of a Letter I have just received from L^t Colonel Stephen; w^ch as it con-tains some minute particulars of Points of Consequence I have chose to communicate to your right Hon^ble Board in the words of the Writer. By it you may observe my Lords, that the Affair of the Indian Fur Trade; if not pre-vented, may again prove a bone of Contention between this Colony and Pensylvania. The surest Way to stop any ill Consequences that may arise from such a Con-tention, appears to me to be to settle the Determination of the Boundary Line of Pensylvania w^ch is to run 5 Degrees due west from Newcastle. We say from Mess^rs Fry & Jefferson's Authority that this Distance terminates 15 or 20 Miles short of Pittsburgh. The Pensylvanians act as if it did not; upon what Authority they proceed I am as yet intirely ignorant.

I hope your Lordships will be of Opinion that this should be settled by Commiss^rs either appointed by your right Hon^ble Board immediately or mediately by Instructions sent to the Governors of the respective Provinces to appoint such Commissioners. The first Method seems least liable to create Disputes, as the Lands between the Mountains and the Ohio are now cleared of the Enemy, people seem

to be very desirous to settle on the fine fertile Lands, lying on the Waters wch fall into the Ohio, and so in. to the Mississipi and are generaly callid by the general Name of Lands on the Waters of the Mississipi, but to the well future settling of these Lands, there are some points wch seem to require Consideration. By Proclamation from Mr. Dinwiddie all Officers and Private Men who have served in those parts have a Right to a certain proportion of those Lands, to wch they are daily laying claim. It is also to be considered whether the Crown will renew the two Great Grants. If they should be renewed, whether the Grantees should be at [p. 59] / Liberty to take up Lands within their Grants, in as small parcels as they please; by wch means they have it in their power to Skim all the fine Lands on the Waters and leave the uplands unpatented, whether they should not be obliged not to exceed a certain price for a certain Term of years, to their under patentees.

Your Lordships may be fully convinced that I think these things of Consequence, and that I speak my Sentiments wch Sincerity, when I inform you that my Son is taken in Partner into one of the great Grants. But I hope that or any other Consideration in wch my Interest shall be concerned, will never make me prostitute my Opinion to your right Honble Board, whenever I think his Majesty's or my Country's Interest at Stake.

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It seems to be the general Opinion of all the Specu-
-lative Gent: here, that It will be more adviseable to make
a Seperate Government of all the Lands between yt Moun-
-tains and the Waters; The Reasons they assign are these
which are Specious enough.— It will require a Constitution
of a more Military form, than this Colony I believe can ever
be prevailed upon to enter into, in order to protect these
out Settlers from Insults & Incursions of the Indians. The
Militia Laws now in force in this Colony would be in-
-effectual to secure them, and from a Jealousy of the
Liberty of the Subject, I apprehend the General Assembly
would never be brought to put them under such Re-
-straints as are necessary to make a Militia serviceable.
I attempted an Amendment of those Laws on my first
arrival, without Success.— The Establishment of the Clergy
in this Colony is thought to be of such a Nature, as to be
an obstacle to the coming in of protestant Foreigners, from
whom We are to hope the greatest Accession of people, who
must have a Minister of their own to maintain besides
paying their Quota to a public Levy for the Support of
a parochial Minister of the establish'd Church.

I thought it my Duty my Lords to throw out these
Hints for your Lordships Consideration, to do therein as
you shall/ judge most expedient, whenever it may please [f. 53]
his Majesty in his most honourable privy Council, to take
the Matters relative to the patenting and Settling these

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Lands into Consideration.

The Assembly broke upon the 21st Novr after having passed an Act to keep up the Regiment till the first of may next, and to disband the 500 Men before that time; viz: 200 immediately and 300 on the first of february, and an Act to prevent Frauds on Negro Duties. I shall transmit those Acts and some few of a private Nature by the first Opportunity I can find. I have wrote to Brigr Genl Stanwix to inform him of these Transactions and to desire he will be particular in the Service for wch he will require the Men to be kept longer in pay if necessary; otherwise I fear the Colony will be for droping them at the Time prescribed.

I shall write more particularly on the aforesaid Acts when I send them to your Lordships wth the other public papers of Government.

I am my Lord / wth the greatest Respect

Your Lordships / most Obedt and / devoted Servt

Fran. Fauquier

To the Rt Honble the Lords Commrs for Trade &c.

[4 sts] Endorsed Virginia / Triplicate of a Letter / from Fras Fauquier Esqr / Lieut Govr of Virginia to / the Board, dated Decemr / 1st 1759 respecting the / necessity of settling the / Boundary Line of / Pensylvania and to / the Utility of making a / seperate Government / of the Lands between the Mountains & the Waters. / Read Novr 19. 1760. / Y. 11.

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Copy of a Letter from Lt. Col. Stephen.

Camp at Pittsburgh Oct. 29th. 1759

Sr.

I recd the honour of your Letter, and would have been under the greatest Obligation for your Sentiments on yt. Indian Trade. There are proper Regulations wanting to make it usefull and profitable for us, and a manner is wanting to make it agreable and Easy to yt. Indians — The Pensylvanians engross it at present and are pushing all possible measures to keep it in their Hands. —

About twenty Tuns of Skin & Fur have been brought at this place within these three Months, The Pensylvan. -ians say the Port is within their Limits, and accord. -ingly have made an Act of Assembly for enhancing the Trade — This does not Affect Virginia whilst the Genl Commands, but were one of the Pensylvania Officers to Command They would be obliged to act according to their Orders from that Province — The determination is of importance to us who first engaged in Virginia Ser. -vice; as we are entituled to a Considerable Quantity of Land by Virtue of Governor Dinwiddie's Proclamation ap. -proved of by his Majesty and I would be glad to know the Sense of your Honor and Council on that Head. Two Officers are just returned from presquisle wth an Acct. of the Country, Communication & the Situation of the French Forts. —

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It is about Seventy miles to Venango It has been a Small Stocade, about 400 Yards below the mouth
[p.1v] of French Creek wch is there about 100 Yds over. / There are about 50 houses 12 feet by 16 Standing the Vestiges of as many burnt A fine Saw Mill Stands in good Order.

From that about 46 Miles to Le Beuf. very bad ground a Barren Country for 30 Miles — about nine Miles a mere Swamp — The Situation of the Post very pleasant and Commodious —

From Le Beuf to Presquisle about 18 miles the Road well made; it is one Continued bridge through a Swamp the Whole Way. The Situation of Presquisle was upon the Bank of Lake Erie, poor Soil. & piney Land about — That post and Le Beuf was a Stocade wch four Bastions, built only for the Communication —

I have the Honour to be

Sr.

Yr. most Obedt. Hum Servt.

A. S.

[p.2r]
Endorsed Virginia / Copy Letter from Lieut. Gov. / Stephen to Lieut. Govr. / Fauquier dated at / Pittsburgh Octo. 29. 1759 / giving an Accot. of the / Indian Trade there, / with an Accot. from / Presquisle of the Country / and Situation of sevl. / of the French Posts / Rd with the Lieut. Govr. / Letter of ~~July 11 1760~~ Decr. 1. 1759 / Y. 12

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Wmsburgh Decr 6th 1760

My Lords

Under Cover wch this I send to your Lordships, Duplicates of my late Letters, and a Triplicate of my Letter of the 30th June, the Original and Duplicate of wch I have heard are both lost; one in the Resolution, Hogg, the other in the Russel, Crawfurd, taken by the French.

There is a Doubt arisen here, whether in the Letter I had the Honor to receive from your Lordships of the 13 June. your Lordships meant to include the Lands on Green Bryar. New River, or Kanhawa River, as Lands not to be patented These Rivers have been tolerably seated for some time, but the Settlers have abandoned their plantations on Acct of the late Disturbances, but are now returning and appli. cations are making for new patents. The Lands I par. ticularly wrote about are two or three hundred Miles to the Northwards of these Lands; but as your Lordships Words are general, I have understood them in the most general Sense, as including all Lands on Waters running into the Ohio and have refused to grant patents for these Lands. If I have been mistaken in your Lordships Senti. ments I hope you will soon favour me wth an Explana. tion of them.

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/I was some time since honoured wth a Letter from Mr Secretary Pitt, signifying his Majesty's pleasure that I should inform his Council of any blandestine Trade

carried on in this Colony, to the Benefit of his Majesty's Enemies and the Detriment of his Subjects, to wch I have given a full Answer, 1st that such Trade has been chief. -ly carried on by Means of Flags of Truce, of wch I have not been prevailed on to grant one, tho' great Temptations have been thrown in my Way. 2dly that there is an open Trade carried on to Monte Christo, wch I conceive to be wholy a French Trade. and 3dly that the Act prohibiting the Exportation of Grain to neutral ports is evaded, by Ships clearing out for Scotland or Gibraltar and then pretending to be blown into the Madeiras or some of the Western Isles by Stress of Weather; the Governor lays his Hands on the Cargo and obliges the Captains to dispose of it, at a great price.

The Assembly in a short Session began in October have pass'd an Act to keep up 1000 Men this Winter to be ready to assist the Carolinas against the Cherokees in the Spring, in Case the Negotiations for peace now on Foot do not come to a happy Issue. But I fear we shall not be able to bring them to Reason wth out the assistance of some Regulars from Mr Amherst. I could not prorogue this Assembly on Acct of the Expiration of the Tobacco Law; [1.14]
and as their sitting at the Time of the / general Court is attended wth many and great Inconveniences instead of proroguing them I have ordered them to adjourn them. -selves that their meeting in Spring may be a Continuation

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of the same Session.

The Acts, Accts, and all public papers I have now out of the respective Offices ready to be transmitted to your Lordships by the first Ship wch sails for London.

We have had the Misfortune to lose Mr. Commissary Dawson, a Gentleman of great Worth, Probity and many other Virtues; by whose Death there is a Vacancy in the Council. According to my Instructions I send your Lord. .ships the Names of three Gentlemen all Men of property and much respected in this Country, and every Way Qualifyed for the Honor of succeeding the late Mr Dawson as Councilor. Their Merit is so great that I cannot give either the preference, but as I am particularly cir. .cumstanced at present I leave it to your Lordships Con. .sideration whether Convenience ought not to take place.

By my Instructions I am ordered not to act wth less than five of the Council, unless in Cases of great Emergency when I may act wth three. By the Death of Mr. Dawson, and the Absence of Colonel Ludwell, there are but three of the Council wch in Ball in Cases wch require Dispatch (viz) Mr. president Blair and the two Mr. Nelsons. I have found by Experience that the Gentlemen at a Dis. .tance who have great Rivers to cross, cannot be ex. /.pected to attend Councils except at stated Times as As. [1170]
.semblies and general Courts; as the gentlemen who live near can do, it is for this Reason that I have picked

out a Gentleman who lives within three Miles of me. And I hope your Lordships will always consider this Conven.-iency, in your Recommendations to his Majesty, that I may constantly have five Gentlemen near at hand to consult wth, in Cases wch require Dispatch. I think the Service of the Government demands it.

The Gentlemen I now name to your Lordships, are
Mr. John Page, who lives in Gloucester
Col. Presly Thornton, who lives in Northumberland
and Col. Lewis Burwell who lives in this neck 3 Miles from Williamsburgh.

I am with the greatest Respect
My Lords/ Your Lordships
most Obedt. & / devoted Servt

Fran: Fauquier

To the right Honble the Lords of Trade &c.

[1.P.]

Endorsed Virginia/ Letter from Frat. Fauquier/ Lieut. Govr. of Vir.-ginia/ dated 6 Decemr. 1760/ acknowledging the receipt/ of the Boards Letter of 13/ June, upon which some/ Doubts have arisen with/ respect to patented Lands,/ & begs their Lordps would/ fa.-vour him with further/ Instructions — The Assembly/ have passid an Act to keep/ up 1,000 Men for the Assistance/ of the Carolinas — mentions/ the Death of Mr. Dawson a/ Councillor & recommends three/ Gentlemen to supply Vacancies.

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Wmsburgh Augst 29th 1761

My Lords,

I have deferrd writing to your Lordships till I could get the Journals and Acts of the last general Assembly out of the respective offices; wch I al-ways find a very difficult Task. Inactivity, Indolence & an Aversion to Business prevailing universally thro' this Colony. However I have at last completed this Affair, and shall send the Box with all the public Papers by Captn Norton in his Majestys Ship Assistance hav-ing lost some sent heretofore by single Ships. But I would not lose the Opportunity of writing to your right honorable Board by Captn Mervie who proposes to sail three Weeks before the Fleet.

In Obedience to your Lordship's Letter of the 17th Febry wch was received by me on the 2d June, I imme-diately consulted his Majesties Council in Relation to the Claims of the Indians on the Lands on Green Bryar and New River, or Woods River, which fall into the Ohio. the Consideration of this was postponed till the gen-eral Court in October, when all the Members of the Council usualy attend, when all agreements with the Indians and all their Claims will be enquired into, and in the mean time I was desired to apply to [p.150] Governor Hamilton of Pensylvania, for Copies of all Treaties & Agreements made with the Indians inhabiting

the Country in the neighbourhood of Fort Pitt, by Generals Forbes and Stanwix, while they commanded there: which I have accordingly done, that your Lordships may have all the Information and Insight into this Affair wch we may be capable of giving you. And in the mean Time no new patents will be granted for those Lands till I receive your Lordships Directions thereon.

I have given Orders to his Majesty's Attorney general in Relation to the prosecution of Mr Sprowle the owner of the privateer wch took and brought in the two Span.-ish Vessels. an Acct of wch I wrote to your Lordships, As it is a Matter of great Consequence and Importance to the Crown, he has desired Time to consider the In.-structions, the Nature of the Bond and the proceedings and papers relating to the Vessel wch Mr Sprowle did think proper to libel in the Court of Admiralty, of wch the Attorney general is also Judge, and has callid in to his Assistance the Judge Advocate, and other Gentle.-men able practitioners in that Court, that he may be assisted wth their Opinions in a Matter of such Moment, But he has promised me to make his Report before the sailing of the Fleet at the end of September.

Some time Since Governor Sharpe of Maryland applyed to me to know if there was a Commission in this Colony to try pirates, on the Suspicion of there being a pirate then in the Bay. Upon my making

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/Enquiry of the Council, they informed me that they well remember'd there was formerly such a Commission directed to the Commander in chief and the Members of the Council for the Time being, to wch were added several other Gentlemen of Note in the Colony, and that they re-.membe'rd to have tried a Man for Murther upon that Commission; but upon searching no such Commission is to be found, and it is supposed to be one of the papers consumed when the Capitol was burned: and if it were now in being would be of no Authority under his pres-.ent Majesty; being granted in a former Reign. As such a Commission may become necessary at the End of the War, I am to intreat the Favor of your Lordships, that such a Commission may be renewed, if it should be thought expedient by his Majesty and his most hon-.orable privy Council.

Major General St. Jeffery Amherst communicated a Letter to me from your right honble Board requiring him to send in three or four Copies of the Acts of this Colo-.ny. I have accordingly endeavourd to procure them but find it impracticable. As they are not a saleable Com-.modity, the privateer takes off no more Copies than what are immediately wanted viz one for every one of the Council and principal Officers, and for every Court of Judicature in the Colony. for wch he is paid by a Re-.solve of general Assembly. they are of Course out of

print. I shall in the Box of papers by the Fleet send you my own Set wch I believe will be found to be very com-plete. If such Sets of the Laws are wanted in England.

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upon Directions from your Lordships for/that purpose, I will recommend it to the Assembly to order the reprinting a sufficient Number, that they may be in Readiness on any future Occasion.

I have this Day recd from Sr Jeffery Amherst by the northern post from new-York, Your Lordships Letter of the 28th April with the Queries, to which I shall prepare my self from the proper Officers to give your Lordships satisfactory Answers, with all the Dispatch which the Nature of the Thing will allow

I am wth the greatest Respect

My Lords/ Yr Lordships

most Obedt, Obliged/& devoted Servt

Fran: Fauquier

To the right hble the Lords Comrs for Trade & plantation Affairs

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Endorsed Virginia/Letter from Francis Fauquier/Esqr Lt Govr of Virginia, dated/August 29, 1761. acquainting/the Board with his proceedings/respecting the Settlements/upon Green Bryar & Kanaway/Rivers & the prosecution/of the Captn of a privateer/for his Conduct, respecting/two Spanish Ships seized/by him.

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Hmsburgh Novr. 30th 1761

My Lords/

In Obedience to your Lordships Commands signified to me in your Letter of the 17th Febry 1761, reed by me on the 2d June following, and immediately after communicated to his Majestys Council, who put off the Consideration thereof till the next general Court when all the Councillors attend (as signified by me in a former Letter to your right honble Board) I now proceed to give your Lordships all the Information, I have been able to obtain relative to the Agreements made wth Indians about the Settlement of Lands.

On the 14th of December 1743 Commissions were made out to the honble Thomas Lee Esqr on of his Majestys Council and Wm Beverly Esqr a Member of the House of Burgesses, to treat wth the Indians of the six Nations, and Instructions were accordingly given them. On the 22d June 1744 Conferences for a Peace were open-ed at Lancaster under the Mediation of Governor Thomas of Pensylvania, our Commissrs and Commissrs from Mary-land being/present. All these proceedings at large have [p. 190] been heretofore sent to your Lordships as I am inform-ed, and are now I imagine among the papers of your Office But lest they should not be easily come at, I have inclosed to your Lordships a Copy of the Treaty itself wch is the only material part of those Transactions,

and wch I find was signed by no less than 24 of their Sachems and chief Men.

In April 1752 Commissions and Instructions were given to Messrs Joshua Fry. Lunsford Lomax, and James Patton, to treat with the six united Nations on the River Ohio, which proceedings at large were also, as I am informed sent home to your right honble Board. But the Reasons above mentioned have indueed me to send to your Lordsps a Copy of that agreement made the 13th June 1752 at Shanopins Town and wch I find was signed by 4 of their Chiefs.

Since these Transactions this Colony in particular have had no Meeting wth any Indians on the Affair of Lands. The Honble Peter Randolph, and William Byrd Esqr were commissioned to go into the Cherokee Country to prevail on them to march a Number of their Warriors to join his Majestys Forces before Fort du Quesne. The Irregularity of these Indians in their Marches, and the Revenge taken of their Insults by our Inhabitants, and [p. 191] the fatal scalping Law, (wch I got repealed soon after my arrival, foreseeing and dreading the Consequences) have been, I too much fear, the immediate Cause of the Cherokee Warr. No Mention was made of the Settlement of Lands, or any Complaints made about it in this Expedition of Colonel Randolph, and Colo Byrd.

I have also inclosed to your Lordships a Copy

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of the Paper I recd from Governor Hamilton in my late Excursion to the Northward, wch your Lordships will find very full as to all the late Agreements made wth the Indians by the Commanders of his Majestys Forces, and the promises and Assurances given the Indians in Relation to settling on their Hunting Grounds.

These papers will I imagine give your Lord. ships all the Satisfaction you require, but if you should have Occasion for any thing further I will immediately on receiving your Orders transmitt all you desire to your right Honble Board.

I must now observe to your Lordships, that no Complaints, have ever been made as I have been informed, and as your Lordships will see by the Minute of the Council wch I have inclosed to you, from any Indians whatever, or any Claim made on the Lands due westward of this Colony, tho' the Indians about Pittsburgh have I believe made Objections to [p. 192] /the white peoples settling on Lands to the Westward of the Allegany Hills. It may not be improper on this Occa. sion to signify to your Lordships, that the Two pro. prietors of Maryland and Pensylvania, have appointed Commissioners to run their Division Line, wch they are now actually about. By the Conversation I had wth two of those Commissioners at Philadelphia, I find the proprietor of Pensylvania expects to gain a good deal

of the Land always supposed to be in this province. I was asked what I should do in that Case. To wch I answerid, it was time enough for the Colony of Virginia to interfere when they had run their Line the Length of Maryland, and to the utmost Extent of their proprietors Grant. But I submitt it to your Lordships Consideration whether it would not be proper for his Majesty to appoint Commissioners to attend the running of this Line, so to ascertain the Quit-Rents to the Crown.

Applications have been made to me in Council for patents of Lands on Holstons and Blinches Rivers wch form part of the Waters of the Mississipi, behind the Cherokee Country, but all these petitions I have postponed the Consideration of till I am informed of his Majestys pleasure relating thereto.

I am wth the greatest Respect

My Lords

Yr Lordships

most Obedt & devoted Servt

Fran: Fauquier

To the right hon. the Lords of Trade &c.

[Endorsed]

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Endorsed Virginia/ Letter from Francis/ Fauquier Esqr. Lt.
Govr. of/ Virginia. dated 30 Novemr/ 1761, relating to the Settlemt/
of Lands westward of the/ Alleghany Mountains, & proposing
that Commissrs should be/ appointed to ascertain the/ Boun-
dary Line between Pensylvania/ and Virginia, jointly with
those/ appointed by the proprietors of/ Pensylvania to run
the Division/ Line between that Province &/ Maryland. —
also transmitting

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At a Council held at the Capitol the 4th day of November 1761.

Present

The Governor

John Blair — Richard Corbin
William Nelson — Philip Ludwell Lee
Thomas Nelson — Robert Carter
Peter Randolph — Presley Thornton Esqrs

The Governor having produced to the Board the Substance of the several Treaties and Engagements lately entered into with the Indians and the same having been read, and the Letter from the Lords of Trade dated the 17th of February and communicated the 10th of June last, duly considered, it was the Advice of the Council, that his Honor should transmit to their Lordships a Copy of the Minutes of the said Treaties, and also of the Release of the Indians of the Six Nations made at the Treaty of Lancaster in 1744. with a Copy of the Consent of the Ohio Indians thereto at Logstown in 1752, and signify to their Lordships that in Consequence thereof many Grants have been made of Lands and Settlements thereon, and the Settlers never molested before the Encroachments of the French.

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Release from the Indians of the Six Nations to the King

To all People to whom these Presents shall come, Conasatugo, Tashonoontia, Caxhayion, Torachdadon, Ne. cocanyhack, Rocivrawuchto Sachims or Chiefs of the Nation of the Onondagoes; Saquehsoyunt, Gachraddodow, Ducasa ty-a-kon Rowanhohuso, Osochquah. Seayenties, Sachems or Chiefs of the Nation of the Cahugas; Swadany alias Shicketimy, Onickuaxgua, Onoch Katlydaury alias Watsatua, Tohashwanrororow, Orughocht-taw and Tier - Hasery Sachems or Chiefs of the Nation of the Tus. caroros; Tanasaregos, and Tanichiunhes Sachems or [illegible] Chiefs of the Nation of the Senikers send Greeting. Whereas the six united Nations of Indians laying Claim to some Lands in the Colony of Virginia signi. fied their Willingness to enter into a Treaty concern. ing the same, Whereupon Thomas Lee Esqr a Member in ordinary of his Majestys honble Council of State and one of the Judges of the supreme Court of Judica. ture in that Colony, and William Beverly Esqr Cob and County Lieut of the County of Orange, and one of the Representatives of the People in the House of Burgesses of that Colony, were deputed by the Governor of the said Colony as Commissioners to treat with the said Six Nations, or their Deputies, Sachems or Chiefs as well

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of and concerning their said blaim. as to renew their Covenant Chain between the said Colony and the said Six Nations And the said Commissioners having met at Lancaster in Lancaster County and Province of Pen. =sylvania, and as a Foundation for a stricter Amity and Peace at this Juncture, agreed with the said Sachems or Chiefs of the said Six Nations for a Disclaimer and Renunciation of all their blaim or Pretence of Right whatsoever of the said Six Nations, and an Acknow. =ledgment of the Right of our Sovereign the King of Great Britain to all the Land in the said Colony of Virginia Now know ye that for and in Considera. =tion of the Sum of Four Hundred Pounds Current Money of Pensylvania paid and delivered to the above. =named Sachems or Chiefs partly in Goods, and part. =ly in Gold Money by the said Commissioners, they the said Sachems or Chiefs on Behalf of the said Six Nations Do hereby renounce and disclaim not only all the Right of the said Six Nations, but also re. =cognize and acknowledge the Right and Title of our Sovereign the King of Great Britain to all the Lands within the said Colony, as it is now or hereafter may be peopled and bounded by his said Majesty our Sovereign Lord the King his Heirs and Succes. =sors. In Witness whereof the said Sachems or [p.199] / Chiefs for themselves and on Behalf of the People

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of the Six Nations aforesaid have hereunto set their Hands and Seals the second day of July, in the eighteenth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the second King of Great Britain &c. and in the Year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and forty four.

Signed & sealed by Twenty six Indians

Signed Sealed and delivered in the Presence of

Edm: Jennings
and twenty three others
N: Walthoe Cl Con

Virginia sc/

At a General Court held at the Capitol October 25th 1744.

This Deed poll was proved by the Oaths of Edmund Jennings Esqr Philip Ludwell Lee, and William Black three of the Witnesses thereto, and by the Court ordered to be recorded

Test B. Waller Cl: Cur.

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Endorsed Virginia / Release from the Indians of / the six Nations, of all the / Lands in Virginia, made at / the Treaty at Lancaster in / 1744 / Read April 1. 1762. / Y. 40

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Whereas at the Treaty at Lancaster in the County of Lancaster and Province of Maryland held between the Government of Virginia and the Six united Nations of In-dians in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hun-dred and ~~fifty~~ (six) four, the honble Thomas Lee and William Beverley Esqr being Commissioners, a Deed recognizing and acknowledging the Right and Title of his Majesty our Sovereign Lord the King of Great Britain to all the Lands within the Colony of Virginia, as it was then or here-after might be peopled and bounded by his Majesty our Sovereign Lord the King his Heirs and Successors, was sign-ed sealed and delivered by the Sachems and Chiefs of the Six united Nations then present, as may more fully appear by the said Deed, Reference thereunto being had.

We Conogariera, Chescago, Coronsaget, Enguisara Yogron-doars, Thonorisa, Sachems and Chiefs of the said Six Nations now met in Council at Logs-town, Do hereby signify our Consent and Confirmation of the said Deed, in as full and ample a Manner, as if the same was here recited. And Whereas his Majesty has at present a Design of making a Settlement or Settlements of Brit-ish Subjects on the Southern or Eastern Parts of the River Ohio, called otherwise Allegany, We in Council, (Joshua Fry, Lunsford Lomax James Patton Esqrs being Commission-ers on behalf of his Majesty) Do give our Consent thereto,

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and do further Promise that the said Settlement or Settle-
ments shall be unmolested by us, and that we will
as far as in our Power assist and protect the British
Subjects there inhabiting In Witness whereof we have
[f.203] hereunto set our Hands and Seals this thirteenth / day
of June in the year of our Lord One thousand seven
hundred and fifty two—

Signed & sealed by the seven
Indians within named

Signed sealed and
delivered in Presence of

William Trent
George Croghan & others

N Walthoe bl Con.

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Endorsed Virginia / Confirmation of a Deed of / Release by
the Ohio Indians / made at Logs town in / 1752. / Read April 1.
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A Narrative of what hath passed between the Kings Generals, Governors &c and the Indians; in relation to Lands; being designed as an Answer to Gov.ernor Fauquier's Letter of the 22d of June 1761.

In October 1758 Peace was confirmid between his Majesty's Subjects, & the Delawares, & their Allies the Minis.inks, Mohickons, Opies, & other Nations, living on the Susquehannah, in the presence of the Deputies of the Six Nations.

In this Treaty, the proprietors of Pensylva released all the Lands within their province to the Westward of the Alligheny Hills to the Indians of the Six Nations, from Whom they had before purchasid them, and solemnly en.gaged, "that no White people should make plantations "or settlements on the Lands to the Westward of those Hills".

In Decr 1758 Genl Forbes took possession of Fort Du.quesne, but being sick, He was obliged to depart before the Indians could Assemble to treat with him.

Col. Bouquet was left in the Command there, who received the Indians and confirmid the peace made at Easton, and further expressly assured them, "that the King did not send his Genls to hurt the Indians, or to take their Lands from them".

In the Beginning of January 1759. Nine Chiefs of the Six Nations Shawanese & Delawares wth forty of their

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people living at, & in the neighbourhood of Baccaloone an Indian Town near the Head of the Ohio, came to Pitsburg; sent as they said on purpose to be informd of the Terms of the peace, which they were told had been made between the English & the Indians. Colonel Mercer then having the Command at Pitsburg, sent them forward to Philadelphia, in order that they might receive an answer from General Forbes; But He being still ex-tremely indisposed and unable to receive them, desired Governor Denny after the Indians had made him ac-quainted wth their Business, which was as above set forth, [p.208] to return them an Answer; to lay before them the Con-tents of the late Treaty at Easton, and to Assure them "That the English had no Intention to make Settlements "in their Hunting Country beyond the Allegheny Hills: Un-"less they should be desired, for the convenieney of the "Indians, to erect Store-Houses in order to establish and "carry on a Trade."

These Deputies staid in Philadelphia till April, when Genl Amherst coming thither on a Visit to Mr Forbes conferred with them, and with One Thomas King an Oneida Chief, who had Assisted in the Western Campaign, and was lately come from Pitsburg. And in those conferences Mr Amherst assured those Deputies, "that the Kings Gen-"erals would continue to Act up to all the engagements "his Majesty's Subjects had enterd into with the Indians."

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Governor Denny took an opportunity of Communi-
-cating to Thomas King the Answer of Governor Fau-
-quier to the enquiries which had been made by the six
Nations at Easton about one Squessatego, and accompan-
-ied it with proper Belts and strings, and desired Thomas
King to deliver all to the Council at Onondago.

In July 1759 there was a very great meeting of
Indians at Pitsburg, and many of the Chief Men of
yt Delawares, Shawanese and Wyondots, who had powers
from the Chippawas, Ottaws, Putewatimies, Twightwees,
Kuscuskies, Keeopes, Spokeys, and Musquakes, were of
the Company.— The late Treaty at Easton had been
sent to those nations, by a solemn deputation from
the Indians who were present at that Treaty.

To which deputation Mr. Post and Capt Bull were
joined on the part of the Government. The Treaty was
read & explaind to them in their Councils at Kuskusky,
Sawcung, and Logestown, and those Indian Chiefs were
now come to confirm it.

General Forbes being dead, and General Stanwix who
succeeded to the Command, not being arrived, Mr. Croghan
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/deputy Superintendant of Indian Affairs under Sr Wm. John-
-son was obliged to hold the conferences in which All
the Agreements made at Easton, together with the peace
were confirmd and the Article relating to Lands was
expressly mentiond in these Words.

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Brethren,

"The complaint which your people, three years ago,
"made to the Governor of Pensylvania about their Lands,
"(meaning the Lands to the Westward of the Alleghenny
"Hills) was settled at the Treaty of Easton, and a line
"settled by your people and the six Nations to their satis-
"faction: And you may depend on it, that your Brethren the
"English will never violate their engagement: And that the
"King's General, and all the Governors on this Continent will
"ratify and confirm it, in the first gen.l meeting you shall
"have w.th them."

"It was further said, that the General was on his way
"to build a Trading House to secure the Goods, brought by
"the English Traders for the Use of the Indians, from the
"insults of the French. And they were Assured, that as
"soon as the Enemy were driven out of their Country, in
"which they were desired to be assisting, the General
"would depart their Country, after having secured our
"Trade with them and our Brethern to the Westward".

In October 1759. General Stanwix held a Treaty w.th the Delawares, Shawenesse, Wyondots, and Six Nations at Pits-burgh wherein he made the following speech among others.

Brothers,

"No Nation could ever charge the English w.th a breach
"of Treaty; Every thing relating to the Peace made between
"us has been performed on our parts. The original draught

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"of the Boundary line settled between us and the Six
"Nations at the Treaty at Easton was deliverid to them,
"and here is a Copy sent by Governor Denny to shew
"to the Delawares & Shawanese to prevent any disputes
"hereafter arising upon that head." then He openid the
road to Pitsburg, letting the Indians know, that his
Majesty had been at a Considerable expence to establish
a Trading House there.

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/In April 1760 General Amherst (by Frederick Post then
proposing to go to the Ohio) sent the Indians there a Mes.
-sage to quiet their minds, which had been much dis.
-turbed on some stories being propagated among them,
as if the English intended to take their Lands from them,
and settle quite up to the Ohio. Mr. Post being pre.
-vented from going, the Message of General Amherst was
sent to General Monckton who then Commanded at Pits.
-burg, and was by him deliverd to the Indians at a
great Council in August 1760. in these Words.
Brethren Kings Captains & Warriours.

"I mean not to take away any of your Lands; But as
"the necessity of his Majesty's Service obliges me to take
"Post, and build Forts in some parts of your Country, to pro.
"-tect our Trade wth you, and prevent the Enemy from tak.
"-ing possession of your Lands, and hurting both you and
"us, As you are sensible that if we do not build Forts,
"the French will.— In that Case I assure you, that no

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"part whatever of your Lands joining the said Forts shall
"be taken from you, nor any of our people be permitted
"to hunt or settle upon them: but they shall remain
"in your absolute property; And I will even promise
"you some presents as a Consideration for the Lands where
"such Forts or trading Houses are or may be built. And
"as it is expensive and inconvenient for us to carry pro-
"visions for our Warriors, from Our Settlements to those
"Forts, and also to supply our Brethren the Indians when
"they come to see Us, if you will lay out a space of
"Ground adjoining every Fort to raise Corn; in that
"case, fix, your selves, the limits of that part of your
"Lands so appropriated to Us. And you will receive such
"a Consideration for it, as will be agreed between you
"& us to your satisfaction".

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Endorsed Virginia/ Conferences between/ the Kings Generals/
Governors &c and the/ western Indians since/ the Treaty at
Easton/ Read April 1. 1762./ Y.42.

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Hⁿ. burgh April 16ᵈ 1762

My Lords/

In Obedience to his Majesty's Instructions which I had the Honor to receive by your Lordships Letter of the 12 Decᵉ 1761; I immediately printed the In-.struction relating to the settling Lands in the Gazette at large, and shall not fail to communicate the Just Intentions of his Majesty to the Indians as I shall have Opportunity. Conocotoko or the Standing Turky the chief Warrior of the over hill Cherokee Towns is now on the Road with several of his Young Warriors to this place on a Visit of peace and Friendship, to whom I shall make his Majesty's pleasure known.

As to the other Instruction relating to the Office of Chief Justice, it does not concern this Colony, as there is no such Officer. His Majestys Commander in chief for the Time being, and his Council acting as Supreme Judges in all Courts of Law and Equity, from whose [p.246]
Divisions/ there lies no Appeal but to his Majesty in Privy Council

I am with the greatest Respect/ My Lords

Your Lordships

most Obedᵗ & obliged

humble Servant

Fran: Fauquier

To the right honᵇˡᵉ the Lords Commrˢ for Trade &c.ª

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Endorsed Virginia / Letter from Francis Fauquier / Esqr. Lt. Govr. of Virginia, dated / April 16. 1762. acknowledging / the receipt of His Maj. Instruc.n / concerning the not granting / Indian Lands & the limitat.n / of Judges Commission. / Recvd July 1762 / Read Nov. 14 — /

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Wm.burgh May the 1st 1762

My Lords

In the Letter I had the Honor to write to your Lordships of the 16th ult.o I misinformd you as to the name of the chief Warrior of the Cherokees who was on the Road to this place for on his arrival I found it was not Conogotocko who is old, but their chief Warrior Skiagusta Oconesta, who came here to confirm the peace lately concluded between his Majestys Subjects and their Nation. This Chief is a Man of great In.fluence among them being reputed the boldest War.rior of the Nation, and a Man of Integrity not talking as they express themselves with a double tongue. He and the little Carpenter have usualy been Heads of different Parties, and was for that Reason one of the last who acceded to the Treaty, tho he has been the foremost to treat our prisoners with humanity. and to release them. By the Belts of white Wampum his Talk, and his whole Manner, he appears to me. to be more to be depended upon than his Antagonist, tho' he has not his parts nor such Command of Hords As the little Carpenter had formerly been in England. [1250] He/most earnestly solicited me and the Council, that he might have permission to go to England, to see the great King his Father, and judge whether the little Carpenter had not told them Lies, on whose Veracity

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I found he did not much depend. On deliberating up-
-on this, it was the Advice of his Majestys Council
that I should represent the Inconveniences and Dangers
he would be exposed to, on the Sea, by the Enemy
and by Distempers in Europe. This precaution was taken
lest any Accident befalling him might irritate his people
imagining it might be done by Treachery. In the presence
of many of his followers he heard this, and persisted
in his Resolution of going if he might be permitted. The
Council conceiving it might be of very great Utility to
the Colonies, for him to be personaly informed of the
Number of our people the Grandeur of our King and
the great Warlike powers we had at Command, by which
they were more likely to be kept in Order by us than
if they were ignorant of our Strength, advised me to
send him and to apply to Captain Blake of his Majes-
-tys Sloop L'Epreuve now ready to sail with a few
Ships under his Convoy, to take him on Board, wch he
very readily consented to do. I have accordingly put
him, two of his followers and a faithful Interpreter on
Board Capt. Blakes Sloop, to be transported to England.

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/I am conscious my Lords that such Guests are
troublesome to his Majestys Ministers, but it appears to
me to be of so much Moment to the peace and Interest
of the Colonies, that I hope I shall stand excused for
having taken this Step. The Indians will be accompanyd

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by Mr. Timberlake an Ensign in our Regiment who has been in the Cherokee over hill Towns, and is much re.spected by the Indians, he went from our Camp down Holstons River and up the Janassee, and has found it navigable for Batteaus which draw 10 or 12 Inches Water all the Way, by which we find that we have a good Conveyance for Men. Stores or Merchandize into the very heart of their Country. He has made a Draught of the Courses and Bearings of the River, a Fair Copy of wch is by my Order preparing for Sr Jeffery Amherst.

It may be proper to inform your Lordships that my Conduct towards these and all other Indians has varyed a little from that of my predecessors. I have never courted them so much, but have always behaved to them with the utmost good Faith; and in my Conferences, with great Firm.ness, and an affected Superiority as the Governor for a great King: wch seems to me to have the Effect I pro.posed from such a Conduct.

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/This very Man was here in Governor Dinwiddies Time, much caressd and courted, having the Governors Coach to attend him and his Squah. But this Treatment he has not received from me, yet I apprehend I am as much in his good Esteem as the late Governor was.

I am with the greatest Respect/ My Lords/ Yr Lordships

most Obedt & devoted/ Servant

Fran: Fauquier

To the right honble the Lords Comrs for Trade &c

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Wm.burgh July 8th 1763

My Lords

I cannot omit the Opportunity of giving Your Lordships Intelligence, by the Means of Lieutenant Colonel Mercer who is going to England to solicit his own Affairs, of the Alarms all our back Settlements are in, on Acct of the Northern Indians. They have as yet done very little if any Mischief in this Colony in par-ticular, but as We have had repeated Advices of their behaviour to the Northwards, and as parties of Warriors are passing thro the Colony to the Southwards and seem to threaten Mischief on their Return; Our Inhabi-tants in the back parts are all breaking up. We know of no certain Cause for this their Behaviour, but if I may be allowed to conjecture by putting together the various Accounts I have heard, I fear some Cause has been given them by peoples settling without Au-thority on their Lands. Some of our own Inhabitants have as I have been credibly informed, gone and seated them-[1.512] selves on the New River near the Ohio, not only with-out Right so to do, but even against Orders of Coun-cil and Advertisements published to prevent this practise. I have heard that some public Notice given by Mr. Webb an Officer at some of our posts of his Intention to seat some Lands (which he has since been obliged to recal by Order from Sr Jeffery Amherst,) gave great Offence to the

Indians. But of this, and the Situation of our people Mr. Mercer is very capable of giving Your Lordships full Information. I much fear We shall not be able to live upon the same terms with the Indians as the French did, unless this Enthusiasm of running back.wards to hunt for fresh Lands can be stopped.

I am with the greatest Respect

My Lords

Your Lordships

most Obed^{t} and

devoted Servant

Fran: Fauquier

The right hon^{ble} the Lords of Trade &c^{a}

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Endorsed Virginia / Letter from Lieut Gov^{r} / Fauquier dated 8 July / 1763. informing the Board / that the Northern Indians / very much alarm the / Frontiers which is chiefly / owing to settling upon their / Lands; for particular / Intelligence refers to Col^{o} / Mercer lately arrived. / Recd Sept^{r} 1763 / Read Oct^{r} 4. / Y. 107.

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Wm. burgh Sept. 9th 1763

My Lords

I have now before me your Lordships favors of the 29th April and the 6th May, and after congratu-lating with your Lordships on his Majestys appointment of you to conduct a Board of such consequence to great Britain and all its appendages, I beg Leave to assure your Lordships that I shall strictly adhere to the Method of Correspondence enjoined me by the papers transmitted to me by your right honorable Board for that purpose.

In Obedience to his Majestys Commands I gave Orders for Thursday the 25th August to be observed as a Day of public Thanksgiving to Almighty God, for the signal Blessing of peace restored to us, by the firm, prudent, and humane Conduct of his Majesty and his Ministers. A peace productive of the greatest Security and advantages to all his Majestys Colonies in America! And I have the pleasure to observe to your Lordships that the Day was observed in this Capital, with all the Gra-titude and every other Mark of Loyalty and Affection to his Majesty, and all the Seriouseness and Duty to the Deity which the Nature of the Thing required.

[p. 524] /I come now to your Lordships Letter of the 6th of May, which contains your Observations on my post Con-duct and Cautions for the regulating my future; every Title of which I shall make it my Business to attend

carefully to my self; and not trust my Character, as far as it relates to obedience to his Majestys Instructions, to the Opinion and advice of others. I communicated the whole of your Lordships Letter to his Majestys Council, who show'd some Concern that their Notions of the personality of Negroes were not approved of by your Lordships but I believe they will now rest contented, and give your Lordships no further Trouble on this Head. I cannot dismiss this Article without expressing my Obligations to your Lordships for the very polite manner in which you have animadverted on my Transactions in this Affair.

I propose to leave this Colony and embark on Monday the 19th instant to be present at the Conference to be held at Augusta in Georgia on the 15th October in Consequence of his Majestys Commands signifyed to me by one of his principal Secretaries of State. The Business of the Colony will be carryed on during my absence by the Honble John Blair the president of the Council, on whom the Government will devolve.

The Indians are at present quiet on our South. West Frontiers tho' they are still troublesome to the North. West, notwithstanding the severe Blow they are said to have met with from Colonel Bouquet on their unsuccessful Attack on his Convoy of Ammunition and provisions to Pitts-burgh, wch he safely carryd in. [P.525] /The Conduct of the Indians confirms me in my Opinion that

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all the Mischief this Colony has sustained is, from the Northern Indians, the Southern having not stirrd, as Judge from all the Intelligence I have hitherto received concerning their Motions. We have at present a consider-able Number of Militia ranging our whole Frontier un-der the Directions of Colonel Stephen and Colonel Lewis of our late Regiment.

In the Box with this, I have the Honor to convey to your Lordships the Acts of the last Session of Assem-bly calld on the 19th May (excepting the three first Chapters before sent by Captain Woolcombe in the Lord Anson) the Journals of the Council and House of Burges-ses; with the Duplicates of the Acts and Journals of the former Session, the naval officers and the Receiver Gen-erals Accompts; together with my answers to the seven-al Queries sent to me long since by your right honble Board. for which I have intruded on your Lordps patience in order to obtain the most perfect and satisfactory Answers I could possibly obtain.

I am with the greatest Respect

My Lords

Yr Lordships

most Obedt Obliged

and devoted Servt

Fran: Fauquier

The right honble the Lords of Trade &c.

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Endorsed Virginia. / Letter from Fr: Fauquier / Esqr: L: Govr: of Virginia, / to the Board, dated 7th / Septr: 1763, acknowledging / the Receipt of the Board's / Letter on a publick Thanks / giving for the Peace, & his / Correspondence with the / Board; - promis- / -ing to / regulate his future Conduct / by the Board's direc- / -tions, / acquainting them, that he / will attend the Confer- / -ence / with the Indians at / Augusta; & that the Nº / Indians alone are troublesome; - and inclosing [illegible].

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Query 1st. What is the Situation of the Colony under your Government, the Nature of the Country, Soil & Climate? What are the principal Rivers and Harbours? the Latitudes and Longitudes of the most considerable places in it or the neighbouring French or Spanish Settlements? have those Latitudes and Longitudes been settled by good Observations or only by common computations, and from whence are the Longitudes computed?

Answer. Virginia as properly now callid is situated between the Latitudes 36d. 30m and 40d. 15m North for so far northwards the North-West corner extends. The Capes are in 75d. West Longitude from London. These Latitudes and Longitude are taken from the Observations and Computation of the ablest Seamen frequenting this Coast: and so laid down in the most approved Maps. The Country is in general Flat for

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near 200 Miles from the Sea Coast, where some Hills begin to rise to the Westward and about 25 or 30 Miles at a medium beyond these lesser Hills lies the first great chain of Mountains callid the blue Ridge. From this Ridge to the Westward are several other Ridges the Country being mountainous between the blue and the alleghany Ridge which is the last to the Westward, at some distance from which runs the Ohio, and other Waters of the Missisipi. This mountainous Country divides the Waters which fall into the Bay of Chesapeak and the Missisipi. The Soil is in general extremely good producing Wheat in great

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Abundance after it has been tended in Tobacco and Indian Corn, and this without Manure, for all the Manure pro-duced on every plantation is appropriated to the Culture of Tobacco only. The Climate is temperate excepting about two Months very hot in Summer and as many very cold in Winter; but it is subject to very quick and sudden
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Alterations depending altogether on the Winds, so that there are some very warm Days even in the midst of Winter, and some as cold in the midst of Summer. The chief Rivers on the eastern Side the Mountains are Potomack, Rappahanock, York, and James Rivers; all which run by a south-West Course and divide the Colony into narrow Necks of Land. There are no Harbours of great Note, for the Ships all run up the Rivers into the Freshes as far as they can with Safety, to avoid the Worm which bides in the salt Water. There are not any Settlements either French or Spanish near this Colony since the glorious Suc-cess of his Majestys Arms under Major General Sr Jeffery Amherst. The nearest French Settlement is at Fort Albania on a Branch of the Mobile and the nearest Spanish at Sr Augustine to the Southward of Georgia.

Query 2d. What are the Boundaries? have those Boun-daries been settled and ascertaind and by what Au-thority? if any Parts thereof are disputed and by whom?
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When did the Dispute arise, and what Steps have been taken or in your opinion ought to be taken to fix the true Boundary Lines?

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Answer. Virginia is bounded on the East by the great Atlantic Ocean, on the South by an artificial Line run due westward from Curratuck Inlet which divides this Colony from north Carolina. This Line was ordered to be run by the Crown, and Commissioners appointed by the Crown who have actualy ran and markd it for above 300 Miles westward from the beginning, which was as far as any Settlements were then made. On the west-ward the Bound-ary is unlimited, extending to the pacifick Ocean. On the north-ward it is bounded by the Course of the River Poto-mack which divides it from Maryland. This Boundary is fixed by the Royal Charters, and begins at the Point at the Mouth of Potomack call'd Walkers Point: from the Latitude of which Point a Line is run cross the Neck of Land call'd the Eastern Shore, from the Bay to the [1.293] Atlantic Ocean. The River forms/the Boundary from its Mouth to the Head of the Northern Branch thereof: from which a Line run due North makes the Boundary till the said Line meets the Pennsylvania Line, then it runs west-ward along that Line to the utmost Extent thereof; then by another Line run due North to the Lake Erie. These Bounds are not at present disputed, but Disputes are soon likely to arise. The proprietors of Pennsylvania and Maryland are now at work actualy running their Line of Division. The Pennsylvanians say, when that Line comes to be run, the Proprietors of Pennsylvania will be

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found to have a Right to a large Tract of Land now reputed to be in the Colony of Virginia, of which I have already given Notice to your right hon.ble Board. And my Opinion is, that the proper Step to be taken to ascertain this Boundary is for the Crown to appoint Commissioners to attend, and assist in the making thes Line, otherwise his Majestys Revenue of Quit Rents may suffer. There is [P.S 94] another Dispute which may possibly arise. The / Proprietor of the Northern Neck thinks the Southern Branch of Poto. -mack the principal Branch rather than the Northern. and has given hints as if he designed to claim the Head of the Southern Branch, as that Head of Potomack to w.ch this Line is to run from the Head of Rapahannock. By which Alteration the proprietor will acquire a greater Quantity of fine Land than that he will quit: But the Consequence will be the Land he gets will be from the Crown that he looses will by Charter fall to the proprietor of Maryland if the Southern and not the Northern Branch should be found to be the Head of Potomack.

N: B: These Boundaries, and the nearest Settlements of both French and Spaniards will be removed, if the defi. -nitive Treaty of peace takes place; preparatory for which happy and much desired Event, preliminary Articles have been agreed on and ratifyd on the part of their Britan. -nic, most Christian and Catholic Majesties.

Query 3.d What is the present State of the Trade of the

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Colony, the number of shipping belonging thereto, /their Tonnage, and the number of seafaring Men, with the respective Increase or Decrease within ten Years last past, and to what Causes is that increase or decrease to be ascribed? Are any Trades, Works or Manufactures set up in the Colony under your Government which are or may prove hurtful to Great Brittain? If there are any such how may they be suppressid, diverted or restrainid?

Answer. The general Trade of the Colony will appear by the subsequent Answers to some other Queries. According to the best Account I have been able to obtain from the Naval Officers, the number of Ships belonging to the Colony with their Tonnage, and the number of Men employed to navigate them, for the last Year, was. Vessels 102. Tonnage 6168. Men 827. What it was ten years ago, I cannot with any degree of Certainty make appear, as some of the naval Officers have been changed, and have not the/ old Books of Office. The Seat of the Trade is [A. 536]
altered the northern parts of the Colony employing fewer Vessels than heretofore, the Southern many more the Town of Norfolk and James River having almost wholy engrossed the West-India and Grain Trade. but in the whole it does gradualy tho not greatly increase; owing as I apprehend to the growing State of the Colony, and to no other immediate Cause. In this Account the Vessels employed in the Rivers of this Colony only, and

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do not go out to Sea, and are therefore not obliged to en-
-list in the Offices are not included, and are principally navi-
-gated by Slaves. Neither can this Account ascertain the
number of Vessels or Seamen belonging to the Colony: it
being a general Trade to build Vessels here, and sell them
with their first Cargoes in the West Indies; and the number
of Seamen is constantly fluctuating these Vessels being in
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great Part manned by British Sailors who run away from
the Tobacco Ships. There are no Manufactures set up here to
the Prejudice of great Brittain, and at present there seems
to be no Disposition in the people to set about such, except-
-ing Forges for making Barr-Iron which are encreasing:
in other Respects the Inhabitants seem contented with their
Staple Tobacco, and cannot as yet be brought to cultivate
those Articles for wch the Society for the Encouragement of
Arts and Manufactures in London, offer so large Premiums.

Query 4th What Quantity and Sorts of british Manufac-
-tures, do the Inhabitants annualy take from hence?

Answer. The Inhabitants of Virginea import from great
Brittain, woollen Goods and Linnens of all Sorts for their
Clothing and the Furniture of their Houses. particularly
a very large Quantity of coarse Woollens calld here
Negro Cottons and plains, and coarse German Linnens
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calld Osnabrugs, all used for the / Clothing their Negroes.
besides there are imported fine Cloths and other woollen
Goods for the wear of the Inhabitants, with Dutch, Irish

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and Scotch Linnens. and India Goods; Silks of all kinds. Shoes. Stockings. Hats. Gloves. Ribbons. and all ornaments of Dress. These Imports daily encrease. the common plant-ers usually dressing themselves in the Manufactures of great Brittain altogether. They also import large Quantities of strong Beer. wrought Iron for the use of their Planta-tions and building their Houses. and ornamental as well as useful Furniture in all Metals. It is next to impossi-ble to ascertain the Quantities imported. the Entries be-ing always made in this manner (viz) Sundry European Goods by 10. 15 or 20 boequets as it happens. But the Quan-tity is now so great and encreases so fast. that it is now almost beyond a Doubt that it exceeds in Value the Tobacco exported; and that the Colony is daily run-ning in Debt to Great Brittain.

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Query 5th What Trade has the Colony under your Govern-ment with any foreign Plantations. or any part of Europe besides great Brittain? how is that Trade carried on. and what Commodities are sent to or received from such foreign Countries or plantations?

Answer. There is at present no Trade to any part of Eu-rope or any foreign plantations. excepting with the Portu-guese for their Wines. great Quantities of which are year-ly imported into this Colony from the Island of Ma-deira. and some small Quantity from the other Islands. There was some time since a Trade carried on to Monte

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Christi, but this was dropd before the breaking out of the last Spanish Warr.

Query 6th What methods are there used to prevent illegal Trades and are the same effectual? if not, what Method may be proper in your opinion, to be taken for obtaining so desirable an Effect?

Answer. The Regulations now in force by Acts of Parliament, and by the Instructions and directions from the
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Commissioners of his Majestys Customs, are/ pretty effectual to suppress illegal Trade: But I apprehend no Restrictions can totally suppress it. It chiefly depends on the Diligence, Ability, and Integrity of the naval officers and Collectors. Searchers in each District would be useful officers if the Duties will answer the Expence. It might be an additional Cheque against the supplying our Enemies wth provisions in Time of War, if the naval Officers were obliged to send Lists quarterly to the naval officers of the respective Ports for which Vessels are cleared out with Provisions; by which means it will be easy for the Officers to discover whether the Vessels actualy deliver their Cargoes at the destined Ports, or carry them to others and obtain false Certificates. This has been a Practice much complained of by his Majestys Commander in chief on this Continent, but it is my steadfast Belief that this Colony stands more clear of this foul charge than most others, tho at the same time believe that some

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of them have been concerned with some Gentlemen to the
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/northwards in this secret practice. These are my Senti-
ments on this Head which at your Lordships desire I
humbly submit to your better Judgment

Query 9th What is the natural produce of the Country. Staple Commodities and Manufactures? what Value thereof in Sterling Money may you annualy export, and to what Places? What Regulations have been at any Time made to prevent Frauds and Abuses in the Exportation of the produce or Manufacture of the Colony and at what Time did those Regulations take Place?

Answer. The produce of the Colony is Grain of all kinds, large Stocks of Cattle; and the staple Commo-
-dity is Tobacco: The Manufactures are comprised in very few Words there being very little of any kind even for home Consumption. Since the Priviledge granted by a late Act of Parliament, some Forges for making Barr-
Iron have been erected, and more are projected. There is
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no /slatting or slitting/ Mill in the Colony. There are Founderies for making Utensils of cast Iron. The Value of the Exports in Sterling Money may appear from the following general Account taken from the last half year-
-ly Accounts of the naval Officers. viz

Exports for 6 Months, at computed Value

22,384 Hhds Tobacco, ship'd at ster Value, here ... 223840 - - -

4,697 Barr.ls Iarr D.o at ..... 9 sh.s p.r Barr.l ..... 2,113 - 13 - -

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827	Cwt.	pitch and Turpentine at		pr. Barrl.	454 - 17 - 0
15,240	Bushls.	of Wheat at	2sh.	pr. Bushl.	1,524 - - - -
155,815	Do.	Corn at	1sh	pr. do.	7,790 - 10 - 0
7,164	Barrels	Pork at	2£	pr. Barrl.	14,388 - - -
196	Do.	Beef at	1:15	pr. do.	343 - 0 - 0
1,635	Do.	Bread at	1:10	pr. do.	2,452 - 10 - 0
1,585	Do.	Flour at	1:10	pr. do.	2,377 - 10 - 0
174,242	Feet	Scantling & Plank	5£	pr. Thous:	844 - 10 - 0
3231,970		Staves, Shingles Lumber	3£	pr. Thou:	9,696 - 0 - 0
470	Tonn	Iron at	6£	pr. Ton	2,820 - - - -
					268,644 - 10 - 0

besides some other small Articles of Indigo, Skins, Flax-seed, Lard, Oats, Beans, Pease &c. The annual Export of [p. 543]
Tobacco at an Average at present exceeds the Quantity in the above account being estimated to be 50,000 Hhds a year. As for the other Articles I cannot answer with Precision; having never examined former Accounts so minutely as I have done these, to give your Lordships all the Satisfaction in my power. The chief of these Goods are exported to great Brittain and its Colonies; this Colony carrying on a considerable Trade to the rest of his Majestys Colonies. The Commodities exported to the northern Colonies are Grain of all kinds: which Trade is chiefly carried on by the Vessels of those Colonies, which come here to purchase Corn with Rum, Loaf-Sugar, Molasses, some Wooden Ware and some Doliars. The Exports to his Majestys

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Colonies in the West Indias, are Corn, Pitch, Tarr, and Turpentine, Pork, Beef, Biscuit, Flour, and Lumber. Returns for which are made in Rumm, Molasses coarse Sugars and Salt. This Trade is chiefly carried on by Vessels of this Colony, which are built here and sold in the Islands with their Cargoes. As to the latter Part of the [p.506] Query, I conceive it to be in general already answered in my Answer to the foregoing Query, and can only add that the Legislature here endeavor to provide for any Frauds or Abuses which from time to time are observed to creep in by enacting new or amending old Laws, as they conceive will best answer the Purposes.

Query 8th. What Mines are there? have those Mines been openid and workid and what may be the reputed Produce?

Answer. There are Coals found in various parts of the Colony especialy near the Falls of James River which Pits have been lately openid and workid and Coal exported to the northern Colonies. The Country is also full of Iron Stone, of which Iron is made in many parts of it. There have been Mines both of Copper and Lead discoverid but neither of them workid, excepting one Mine very rich in [p.505] Lead lying on a Branch of new River in the road to the upper Cherokee Nation. The proprietors of this are now beginning to work it, of which number I was one my-self but quitted it on a Doubt whether Lead would bear the Expence of so long a Land Carriage as is necessary

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to bring it to Market. The Mine is certainly rich in Lead and was thought to contain a considerable Quantity of Silver, but by the Experiments yet made it does not con-tain a sufficient Quantity to answer the Expence of ex-tracting it.

Query 9th What is the number of the Inhabitants Whites and Blacks?

Answer. By the best Calculation We are at present able to make, either from the Lists of Tithables, or the Muster Rolls of the Militia; The Number of Souls now living in the Colony should be about 340,000 and the number of Whites and Blacks nearly equal. tho' it is supposed the Whites exceed the Blacks.

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/Query 10th Are the Inhabitants encreased or decreased with-in the last ten Years, how much and for what Reasons?

Answer. The Inhabitants encrease very fast as will appear by the following Account of the Tithables.

The Levy laid in 1759 was for 104,815

That in 1761 113,287

That in 1762 121,022

Among the Whites all Males above the Age of 16 are account-ed tithable; and among the Blacks all above that Age both Males and Females. This encrease is owing in part to the laudable Custom prevalent in the Colony of every persons marrying very early in Life; and in part to the great Yearly Importation of Negroes. There has not been

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any great number of Whites imported since my Arrival in the Colony.

Query 11th What is the Number of the Militia? under what Authority and Regulations is it established? What is the Expence of it and how is that Expence defrayed?

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/Answer. The Number of the Militia by the last Returns from the Adjutants was 28,826 besides the Militia of five Counties on the Frontiers not regulated since the Com-mencement of the last War. Into which Counties, the Inhabitants are returning very fast to their former Settle-ments, from off which they were driven by the Enemy both French and Indians. Every County has, besides the County Lieutenant, a Colonel, Lieutenant Colonel and Major, with as many Captains and Subalterns as the Size of the County requires, all acting under Commis-sions from the Commander in chief. Besides these Offi-cers of the respective Counties, the Colony is divided in-to four Districts: each District has its adjutant acting under the same Commissions, whose Duty it is to muster, exercise and review the Militia once in every year and make Returns to the Commander in chief. All this is attended with no Expence except the Salaries to the Ad-
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-jutants paid out of the/Revenue appointed for the Sup-port of Government arising from the Duty of 2 shr pr hhd on Tobacco. When the Militia are call'd out upon Duty on Account of any Insurrection or Invasion from

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the Enemy the private Men are allowed 1 sh? pr. Day, and the Officers the same pay as the respective Officers on the British Establishment, this Expence is defrayed by a Levy on the people laid by the general Assembly. The Militia is now wholy Foot, it having been found expe-dient to lay aside the Horse for several Years past.

Query 12th. What Forts and places of Defence are there within your Government, in what Condition and what Garri-sons are kept therein? what is the annual Expence of maintaining each Fort, and out of what Fund is it paid?

Answer. There is but one fort in the Colony which is
[p.549] maintained at any Expence. This is at/Point Comfort at the mouth of James River, and serves now only as a signal house to give notice of what Ships enter the Capes. There is an Officer and one Man to make Sig-nals at the yearly Expence of 50 £ paid out of the Revenue of 2 sh? pr. hhd on Tobacco. There have been some wooden Forts occasionaly erected in our back Coun-try when our Troops have been in those parts, particu-larly a pretty respectable one at Winchester calld Fort Loudoun, but none of these are maintained or any Garrison kept in them.

Query 13d. What is the Number of Indians inhabiting those parts of America lying within or bordering upon your Colony? What Contracts or Treatys of Peace or Friendships have been made with them or are now in

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Force? what Trade is carried on with them and under what Regulations, and how have those Regulations been established.

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Answer. The Number of Indians residing in the known parts of this Colony, is very small, there being only some Remains of the Eastern shore and Pamunky Indians, who are so far civilized as to wear the European dress, and in part follow the Customs of the common Planters. Besides these there are some of the Nottoways, Meherrins, Tuscaroras, and Saponys, who tho' they live in peace in the midst of us, lead in great Measure the lives of Wild Indians. The numbers of all these decrease very fast, owing to their great Fondness for Rum. The nearest Indians who do not live among us are the Shawanese situated on the north-west towards the Ohio; and the Cherokees inhabiting the south-west in the provinces of the Carolinas. The Shawanese are computed to be about 500 fighting Men, the Cherokees about 4000 including the upper, middle and lower Towns. There is a Treaty of peace subsisting with the six Nations, and some assurances given to the Ohio Indians by the Commanders of his Majesty's Forces in those parts. [1.551] There is a Treaty made by the late Governor Dinwiddie between his Majesty's Subjects and the Twightwees living a great Way to the westward of the inhabited Parts of this Colony. There is also a

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Treaty of peace lately made with the Cherokees by the Governors of the Carolinas. The Trade between this Colony and the Indians is at present inconsiderable, tho' it seems to be increasing. The Inhabitants of Pensylvania have the chief Trade with the northern, and those of Carolina with the southern Indians. What Trade We have at present is open, and under no Regulation. The Legislature had prepared a large Cargo to trade with the Cherokees under the public Inspection, but on the late Rupture that Scheme was entirely dropt. All that is now done is the recommending it to our Traders to be cautious in supplying them with Ammunition. I did recommend it to my Assembly to pass some Act, conformable to that passd by the Assembly of South Carolina, to regulate the Trade with the Indians, but they declined it.

[p.552] /Query 11th. What is the Strength of your neighbouring Europeans French or Spaniards? and what Effect have those Settlements on his Majestys Colonies, and more particularly that under your Government?

Answer. There are no Settlements very near us, since the Acquisition of Canada by his Majestys Arms. The nearest Spanish Settlement is Saint Augustine from which several small privateers used to molest this Colony in former Spanish Warrs, in the last We have not been infested with any Visits from them. The nearest French

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Settlement is Fort Albama, from whence it is notorious the Cherokees were instigated to break with us in our late Quarrel with them.

Query 15th What is the Revenue arising within your Government, when was it established and by what Au.-thority? to what Service is it appropriated? how apply.-ed and disposed of and in what Manner are the Ac.-counts audited and passid?

Answer. There is a Duty of 2 shr pr Hhd on all To.-bacco exported and of 1/3 pr Ton on all Ships [p.553] which come into the Colony, and of 6 pence pr Poll on every person imported not being a Mariner. Those Duties are laid by Act of Assembly of 32d Car 2d and are appropriated to the Support of Government and the con.-tingent Charges thereof; and are so applyed. They are under the Direction of the Governor and Council: the Accts thereof are audited by the Auditor-general of the plantations or his Deputy: The Amount paid to the Receiver-general or his Deputy, and are sworn to by him before the Governor in Council; and sent to England to the right honble the Boards of Treasury and Trade the present Produce is com: Annis about £7,000 pr Ann. by the 25th Geo: 2d there is a Duty of 5£ pr Cent on all Slaves imported upon the price for which they are sold, and continued by several Subsequent Acts, and applyed to the discharge of the Debt contracted in the former War and

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for rebuilding the Capitol.

24 Geo. 2d lays an additional Duty of £5 p Cent to enable the Treasurer to repay the Sum of £10,000 wch by this Act [P 554] he was impowerd to borrow. This is also/continued by several subsequent Acts, and is now in force and is apply.ed towards defraying the expences of the last War. By the same Act there is a Duty on Wheel Carriages and applyed to the same purposes.

19th Geo. 2d lays a Duty of 2 pence pr Gallon on Rum and other distilled Spirits, and Wine to defray the public Ex.pence and lessen the Duty pr Poll as the Assembly shall direct. and another Duty of 1 penny on the said Li.quors and on Cyder and Beer imported not the produce of great Brittain. This penny is appropriated and apply.ed to the Support and Maintainance of William and Mary College.

22d Geo. 2d lays an additional Duty of 1 penny to be applyed in the same manner as the first 2 pence.

28th Geo. 2d lays an additional Duty of 4 pence on distilled Spirits not of the Produce of his Majesty's Sugar Islands appropriated as the first 2 pence, but was designed as a prohibition.

25d Geo: 2d lays a Duty of Ten pounds on every Horse im.ported designed also as a prohibition. [P 555]

/25d Geo. 3d lays a Duty on Skins and Furrs for the further Support and Maintainance of William and Mary College.

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22d Geo. 2d directs that every person obtaining a License for keeping an Ordinary shall pay £1.15.0 for the Use of the Governor, and another Act of the Same Session directs that £1.0.0 shall be paid on Marriage Licenses also for the Use of the Governor.

The Taxes following were laid by several Acts of Assembly to sink the Money issued for raising, clothing and subsisting the Forces of this Colony. and to answer other Expences of the late War.

30th Geo: 2d. (1757) Chap 1. lays a Duty of 2 shg pr hhd on all Tobacco passd at the public Warehouses. also 2 shg on every Tithable for the years 1761. 62, 63. 64. also 1 shg on every hundred Acres of Land for said Years.

32d Geo: 2d (1758) Chap. 1. lays a Tax of one Shilg on every Tithable for the years 1761, 62, 63. 64. also a Tax of 2 [P.556] shg on every tithable for the years 1765. 66 and /a further Tax of 2 shg on every hundred Acres of Land for the said years.

33d Geo: 2d (1759) Chap. 1 lays a further Tax of 2 shg on every tithable for the years 1765. 66. and of 4 shg for the Year 1767.

33d Geo: 2d (1760) Chap: 1 lays a Tax of 1/3d on every 100 Acres of Land for the Years 1767. 68. and of 2 shg on every tithable. for the year 1768.

33d Geo: 3d (May 1760) Chap 1. lays a Tax of 9 pence on every 100 Acres of Land for the years 1767. 68. and of 1 sh. 3d for the Year 1769. 2 shg on every tithable for the Year

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present Lieutenant Governor is the hon^ble Francis Fauquier appointed in 1758. There is a Salary of £2000 Sterling a Year paid out of the Revenue arising from the Duty of 2 sh p^r hhd on Tobacco: there is also a Fee of £1:10:0 St: on every Ship or Vessel of 100 Tons or upwards and of £1.0.0. on Vessels under that Burthen laid by Act of Assembly; and of £1.15.0 Cur^cy on Ordinary Licen-ses, and of £1.0.0 on Marriage L^s. Also by Act of As-sembly: of one pistole on signing certain patents des-cribed in an Instruction from his Majesty: and of one pistole for swearing the parties to, and certifying every Register for Ships and other Vessels; by prescrip-tion, first introduced as I have been informed by the late Lieut: Governor the hon^ble Robert Dinwiddie. The An-nual Amount of the whole Salary and Fees is above £3000 Ster^g/ and by the royal Instruction is to be equal-ly divided between the Governor in chief, and the Lieu-tenant Governor or Commander in chief for the time being.

There is a Council of twelve of the principal Gentlemen of the Colony appointed by Sign manual who have an annual Salary of £100 Ster^g each, paid out of the 2 sh^s Duty, and of £100 St: divided between them to defray the Expences of each Oyer and Terminer Court which are held in every Year. The Names of the Gentlemen of the pres-ent Council are the hon^ble John Blair Prest William Nelson, Thomas Nelson, Peter Randolph, Richard Corbin, Philip Ludwell

William Byrd, Philip Ludwell Lee, John Tayloe, Robert Carter, Presly Thornton and Robert Burwell, Esquires.

A Secretary by Patent, William Adair Esqr his Deputy the honble Thomas Nelson. Their Income arises from Fees on all proceedings at Law regulated from time to time by Act of Assembly. the Value estimated at above £1000 a year.

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A Receiver General by patent, John Roberts Esqr his Deputy the honble Richard Corbyn Esqr their Income arises from the Commission on the Receipts of Money by Allowance of the right honble the Board of Treasury in their Accts computed at £800 Stg a yr

An Auditor General by patent, the honble Robert Cholmondely Esqr his Deputy the honble John Blair Esqr. their Income arises as the Receiver Generals and is computed at the same Value viz £800 Stg

A Surveyor General for the whole Southern District of the Continent, the honble Peter Randolph Esqr by appointment from the Commissioners of his Majestys Customs, he has a Salary paid out of the Receipt of the Customs, said to be £600 Stg

Six Naval Officers appointed by patent here by Order under his Majestys Sign-manual directed to the Commander in chief for the time being for that purpose. The present acting Officers as principals or Deputies are Wilson Miles Cary, Lewis Burwell, James Pride, Charles Nielson,

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/Richard Lee, and David Bowman. Their Income arises from Fees on the Entrance and Clearance of Vessels and are of very different Values, one viz Mr Carys be. .ing estimated to be worth £600 pr An. another Mr Bowmans not above £60.

Six Collectors appointed by the Commissioners of his Ma. .jestys Customs who have a Salary from home, and some Fees their Value unequal and uncertain but none large excepting that of the lower District of James River, occupyed by Mr Cary Mitchel.

Two Searchers appointed by the Surveyor General viz one for the Eastern Shore District and one for the lower District of James River.

A Clerk of the General Assembly, Nat. Walthoe, who is Also Clerk of the Council, by Appointment from the Com. .mander in chief; his Income arises partly by Salary paid out of the Revenue of 2 shs pr hhd on Tobacco and partly by Fees on private /Acts, and Petitions [p. 562] to the Council estimated at about £300 Sl. pr annum

A Clerk of the House of Burgesses, John Randolph, by Ap. .pointment from the Commander in chief, his Income arises from Money granted by Resolves of the general Assembly, in proportion to the Length of the Session, which uncertainty both as to the frequency and time of the Assemblys sitting makes the Income very dif. .ferent in different Years. the Allowance is generally

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about £50 a Week.

An Attorney general for his Majesty, Peyton Randolph Esqr. by Appointment from his Majesty. He has a Salary of £70 Sterl. a year out of the Revenue of the 2. shs pr hhd Duty on Tobacco, and the same Sum out of the Revenue from the Quit Rents.

[p.85] A Commissary for Ecclesiastical Affairs. by Appointment from the Lord Bishop of London. he has a Salary of £. 100 Sterl. a year out of the Revenue arising from the Quit. rents. This Office has been vacant ever since the Death of the late reverend Mr Commissary Dawson.

Besides these Officers, the general Assembly appoint a Treasurer for the Receipts and Payments of all Money provided to his Majesty for the Service of the Colony and not provided for by the Revenue of 2 shs Duty pr hhd on Tobacco. The Appointment of the Treasurer is by Act of general Assembly, passed in the first Session of every Assembly, and continues him in Office during that whole Assembly; and beyond that, to the End of the next Session that the Colony may not be without a Treasurer on the Dissolution of the Assembly. This Office

[p.86] has always been conferred on the Speaker of the House of Burgesses as a recompense for his Service in that Station, the Advantages and proffits arising from the Speakership being very inconsiderable, and inadequate to the great Trouble and Attendance of that Office The

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present Treasurer is the Honble John Robinson Esqr who has a Commission of 2½ pr Cent on all the money granted and raised by Act of Assembly, and emitted for the Service of the Colony.

There is a Minister for every Parish who has a Salary of 17,200 Wt of Tobacco with Casks, raised by a public Levy by the Vestry of each parish on the parishioners thereof

In Relation to military Establishments, there are none which can properly be so calld. The Colony having no Troops of any kind now in the pay thereof. since the dis-banding the late Regiment. excepting [p.965]

/An Officer and one Man at Fort George. George Walker, who has a Salary of 25.0.0 a Year paid out of the Reven-ue of 2 shr pr hhd Duty on Tobacco. And

Four Adjutants appointed to as many Districts, by the Commander in chief for the Time being whose Duty it is to attend the general Musters once in every Year to exercise the Men, instruct them in discipline and re-port the Number of the Militia enrolled in each County. They have a Salary of £50 Sterg each. to be paid off in Currency at £25 pr Cent, advance, out of the Reve-nue of 2 shr pr hhd Duty on Tobacco. The present Adjutants are Colin Campbell, Francis Thornton, Alexan-der Finnie, and William Peachey.

Query 14th What is the Constitution of the Government in general, and particularly what Courts are there established

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for the due Administration of Justice? when were those Courts established and by what Authority what are their Rules of proceeding and how are the Judges and other subordinate Officers appointed?

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/Answer. The Legislative Body of the Colony is appointed by royal Charter, and consists of a Governor or Comm-ander in chief, and of a Lieutenant Governor who has full powers to act as Governor in the absence of the chief Governor, both appointed by his Majesty; the first by Patent, the other by Sign manual. - Of a Coun-cil consisting of twelve, appointed also by Sign-manu-al, which constitute the upper house of Assembly. And of a House of Burgesses chosen by the Freeholders of the Colony, (viz) two for each County, one for the City of Williamsburgh, one for the Borough of James Town, one for the Borough of Norfolk, and one for the College of William and Mary: making in the whole 112 Members. All Bills must regularly pass these three Branches of the Legislature before they can have the Force of Laws, which are then sent over for his Majes-ty's Approbation. The Commander/in chief is under Ins-tructions from his Majesty to regulate his Conduct as to the passing of Bills offered to him for his As-sent. The House of Burgesses here as the House of Commons in great Britain claim the Privilege of hav-ing the sole preparation of all Money Bills, to which

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the Council can make no Amendments; but either pass them or refuse them, as sent up to their House from the House of Burgesses.

There is one supreme Court of Justice which is call'd the General Court, and has Cognizance of and Jurisdiction in all Causes, Ecclesiastical, Civil, Criminal, Equitable and Judicial. It is composed of the Commander in chief for the Time being and the Council, who all sit as Judges in this Court, any five of whom constitute a Court. It sits twice in the Year (viz) on the tenth of April and the tenth of October, and is held for 24 Days at each Court, exclusive of Sundays. [p.582] / In this Court all Causes of ten pounds Value may be originaly instituted as well as in the County Courts, hereafter to be mentioned: And to this Court there lies an Appeal from the Judgments of all the County Courts: and from the Judgments of this Court there lies an appeal to his Majesty in his privy Council; which the Commander in chief is by royal Instruction, directed to allow or refuse as the Value of the Thing in Dispute shall or shall not be of the Value of £500 Sterling.

The Council also hold two Courts in every year for the Tryal of Criminals that are free and not Slaves, under a Commission from the Commander in chief, issued particularly for each Court. These Courts

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sit on the second Tuesdays in June and December, and are calld the Courts of Oyer and Terminer. The Clerk of the general Court and of these Courts is apointed
[p.69] by the Secretary whose proffits arise from fees on all proceedings in the Court, which Fees are from time to time regulated by Acts of Assembly passid for that purpose. The present Clerk is Mr Benjamen Waller. All Free Criminals must first have a kind of Tryal in their respective Counties by the Justices who examine into the Charge exhibited against them, and send them down for Tryal at the general Courts or Courts of Oyer, as they see Cause; these are calld examining Courts.

There is a Court in every County which ought to sit once in every Month, but is too frequently omitted on Account of the Non-attendance of the Members composing it, who are the Justices in the Commission of the Peace for the County, and have Cognizance of all Causes in the County as the general Court has all over the Colony, to which there lies an Appeal from the Judgments of the County or as they are calld
[p.70] inferior Courts. Each County Court has its Clerk apointed by the Secretary whose Incomes arise from Fees on the Law proceedings in their respective Courts. The County Courts also try all Criminals that are Slaves but this is done by special Commission from the Commander in chief directed to the Justices of the Court,

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for each Crime to be tryed by that Court.

All these Courts were originaly appointed by royal Charter, their Proceedings are conformable to his Majes. tys Courts of Justice in England, and have been regulated by Acts of Assembly made for that purpose. which have obtained his Majestys Consent and Appro. bation.

There are no Judges, the Council and the Justices of the Counties sitting as Judges in their respective Courts and doing the Duty thereof. As to the Inferior Officers the Clerks are appointed by the Secretary; the Cryer and Tipstaff of the general Court by the Com. mander in chief.

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/There has never been any Ecclesiastical Court held since my taking the Government on me, by his Majes. tys most gracious appointment of me to it. The late Commissary the Honble and Revd Mr Dawson thinking he was not vested with full powers to hold such Courts: which were more unnecessary as the other Courts have Cognizance of Matters Ecclesiastical as well as Civil.

There is also a kind of Court Martial held by the Field Officers of each County, appointed by Act of Assembly to examine into the Conduct of the Militia, and levy such Fines on the Defaulters, as the Acts for the regulation and better Discipline of the Militia prescribe.

Thus my Lords have I given your Lordships the fullest Answers to every part of the Queries which I [p. 592] could possibly procure, and for which I / have taken much pains. I hope they will prove satisfactory, and give your Lordships a clear Insight into the present Condition and Circumstances of the Colony. I have not wilfully concealed the least particular from your View, It being my utmost Ambition that my Conduct should merit your Lordships Approbation. For I am.

With the greatest Respect

My Lords

Your Lordships

most Obed^{t} / and devoted / Servant

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/ Omitted.

There is a Court of Vice Admiralty for the Trial of all Causes relating to the Confiscation or Condemnation of all Vessels and their Cargoes, and all Disputes of Capt^{ns} of Vessels and their Men. It consists of a Judge of the Court, Peyton Randolph Esq^{r} a Judge Advocate. M^{r} Benj. Waller, a Register M^{r} Thomas Everard and a Marshal M^{r} John Tyler. their Incomes arise from Fees and are therefore very uncertain, as they are sometimes many months without transacting any Business or holding any Court. / F: F. &c.

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My Lords/

After first congratulating with your Lordships, on his Majestys prudent choice of you to form a Board for the conducting the Affairs of Trade and the planta-tions, on which the very well being of great Brittain depends; I am to acknowledge the Receipt of your Lord-ships Favors of Sept. 28th Oct. 4th 10th & 11th to all which I will endeavor to pay a strict Obedience. But there are some difficulties relating to his Majestys Proclamation, aris-ing from the present State of this Colony in Regard to some of the Lands which are the Subject of the said Proclamation. This I shall endeavor to set in a clear Light to your Lordships for your Consideration, and then request your Directions how I am to proceed.

On the 26th April 1745 Colonel James Patton & all obtain-ed an Order of Council for the taking up certain Lands in the following Words. "On the Petition of James Patton & at. Leave is/ granted them to take up one hundred Thou-sand Acres lying in Augusta County on three Branches of Missisipi River, the one known by the name of Woods River, the other two to the Westward thereof and on the Waters of the said River; the said Land lying to the westward of a former Order of Council granted to Zachary Lewis Gent. and others: and that four Years Time be allowed them to survey and pay Rights for the same

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upon Return of the Plans vd.' upon this Order of Council Colonel Patton did not immediately make Surveys of the said Lands and mark out his Bounds, but waited till some persons made choice of particular Spots of rich Land and were willing to purchase of him; then these Spots were surveyed, the Rules of Government complyd with and pa-tents taken out to make a Title to the purchasers of the said Tracts of Land. A List of these patents from the Secretarys Office, I enclose to your Lordships; as also a List of several Tracts of Land which have been regularly en-tered for in the Office and surveyed, but for which the proprietors have not yet taken out their patents: Colonel Patton himself having been for many Years dead. These people thus settled according to the Rules of Government have the same Right to their Lands as the other Land [1-59] owners in the Colony who hold under his Majestys Grants.

In the 25th Geo. 2d. at a Session of Assembly began Feb.y 24th 1752, an Act was passed, for encouraging persons to settle on the Waters of the Mississipi. and

In the 27th Geo. 2d. 1753 another Act was passed, for further encouraging persons to settle on the Waters of the Mississipi. and

In the 27th Geo. 2d. 1754 a third Act was passed, for the Encouragement and Protection of the Settlers upon the Waters of the Mississipi.

Upon an Address of the House of Burgesses (as it

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appears by the Preamble) his Majesty was most graciously pleased to encourage the Settlers on these Waters by grant.ing them a Remission of the Payment of Quit-rents for ten Years, and sent an Additional Instruction dated the 24th August 1754 for that purpose. Upon these encourage.ments other Families have settled on these Waters who have also an equal Right with his Majestys other Sub.jects holding Lands under his Grants in other parts of the Colony. I need not point out to your Lordships the Situation of these Lands which are all without the Bounds prescribed by his Majestys late royal proclamation, and are part of the Lands [p. 49] reserved as hunting Grounds for the Indians, till his Majestys pleasure is further made known. These Settlements have constantly been broke up and the Families driven off on every Quarrel the Indians have commenced against us. during the last Summers Incursions from the northern Indians, many of them stood their Ground by protection given them by the Militia, for the doing which Service I have been hon.oured with his Majestys most gracious Approbation of my Conduct. This is a Case in which I desire your Lordships Directions for my future Conduct, whether these People are not to be always protected and defended in their property in these Lands, tho' such protection seems in some measure to clash with the Words of the Proc.lamation, or whether they are to be given up and must

apply to the Crown for Relief. The retaliating upon the Indians for the Injuries they do to these settlers, may provoke them to still further Mischief, and so in some measure defeat the pacifick disposition of his Majesty and his Ministers, founded on the most glorious principles of Justice and Humanity, which do Honor to human Nature
[1.543] whenever thus exercised. /His Majesty has also granted two very large Tracts one of 500,000 Acres to the Ohio Company the other of 200,000 to a Company who call them the Loyal Company: But as the Disturbances from the French took place soon after the making these, I am informed not much has hitherto been done in consequence of either of them.

At the late Congress at Augusta the Cherokees renounced all Claims to Lands to the Eastward of Hols. tons River. Indeed it is believed that they never at any time had any Right to lay Claim to them, and I do not know that any Tribe of Indians whatever do lay Claim to the Lands in Question, as their hunting Grounds; at least this I am sure of. that no such Claim has been made since I have had the Honor to preside in this Colony.

It may be necessary to observe to your Lordships. that the Head Branches of the Waters which empty them. -selves into the Atlantic Ocean on which by the procla. -mation I am at Liberty to grant patents for Lands.

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interlock with the head Branches of the Waters which are discharged by the Missisipi into the Golf of Mexico [p.594] /on which I am restrained from granting patents, there. -fore I beg the Favor of your Lordships to give me Di. -rections with respect to all the Lands lying between these heads which thus interlock with each other.

In consequence of his Majestys gracious Intention of providing for the Soldiers and private men employ. -ed in making our late great Conquests, signifyed in his royal proclamation; The Hon.ble Mr. Byrd who was at the head of a Regiment raised by this Colony, has ap. -plyed for a Grant of five thousand Acres lying on the head Branches of New River. this will include the Lead mine lately discovered and now begun to be worked which I mentioned to your Lordships in my Answers to the Queries some time since sent in from your right hon.ble Board; of which he is a joint proprietor if granted. But as the Land applyed for lies to the Westward of the Alleghenny Hills and on the Waters of the Missisipi. I have done nothing in it, more than to let his appli. -cation be entered in the Journals of the Council as a prior blaim, to any which shall hereafter be made. This [p.595] Step is the only one I have /taken in relation to all applications for Grants of Lands to the west-ward of the Alleghenny Hills, since the first Letter I recied from your Lordships on that subject; postponing all Acts

tending to make such Grants till his Majestys Pleasure should be further made known.

I am with the greatest Respect

My Lords

Your Lordships

most Obed.t

and devoted Serv.t

Fran.s Fauquier

To the right hon.ble the Lords of Trade &c.

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A List of Surveys of Land in Augusta belonging to James Patton decd remaining in the Secrys Office not yet Patented

Quan.ty	Situation	Dates.
500	On the West side of Woods River	30d. Dec. 1746
640	On the West side of Indian River	16th. Nov. 1746
650	On a branch of Woods River	13 Feb. 1746
750	On the South fork of the Indian River	14 Mar. 1746
440	On the West side of Woods River	30 Dec. 1747
260	On a branch of the new River	10 Mar. 1747
170	On the forks of Walker's Creek	do
260	On a branch of the new river	11 Mar. 1747
130	On do	12 do. 1747
130	On do	14 do. do
280	On do	15 do. do
70	On Do.	18 do. do
700	On the head branch of Buffalo Creek	23d do. do
104	On both sides of the Little River	24 do. do
80	On the little River	25 Mar. 1748
70	On the East side of the Little River	5 Apl. 1748.
119	On the South side of Woods River	9 Feb. 1748
220	On a branch of Woods River	do do
490	On the waters of Woods River	13 do. do
495	On a branch of Do.	14 do. do
304	On do	do do do
680	On the North side of Woods River	22d do. do
85	On do	25 do. do

Quant	Situation	Dates
2695	On a branch of [Woods River]	28 [Feb. 1748]
4400	On a place called Fanat	26 De. 1749
1150	On sinking Branch	17 Feb. 1749
720	On a branch of Massippia	19 d°. . d°
1000	On Shallow Creek	21 d°. . d°
1946	On d°	22 d°. . d°
394	On sinking Branch	27 d°. . d°
230	On the North West side of James River	30 Apl. 1753
243	On the South side of . . . . . D°.	13 June d°
176	On d°	d°
125	On the North side of James River	d°

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Endorsed

Read July 3d } 1754 / Y. 118.

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Quantity	Situation	Dates
50	On Craig's Creek	3 Nov. 1750
33	On the South side of James River	do.
60	On the head of Loney's Creek	do.
64	On Craig's Creek	do.
140	On a branch of Buffal's Creek	do.
295	On a branch of James River	do.
104	On Cedar Creek	do.
80	On a branch of Roanoak	do.
100	On Do.	do.
54	On Do.	do.
280	On the head of Buffal's Creek	do.
[1.600] /320	On broad Spring	do.
100	On Craig's Creek	do.
100	Joining the Land of John Peter Salley	do.
100	On Craig's Creek	do.
100	On the North side of James River	do.
100	On the North side of the West Fork of Roanoak	do.
100	On the West Fork of Roanoak	do.
100	On crooked run	do.
100	On Craig's Creek	do.
100	At a place called the poplar bottom	do.
142	On the North side of Roanoak	do.
120	On Mr. Dowel's Meadow	do.
120	On a branch of Cedar Creek	do.
185	On broad Creek	do.

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Quantity	Situation	Dates
124	On Craigs Creek	3 Novr. 1750
113	On Do.	do.
190	On Do.	do.
170	On the head branch of Mill Creek	do.
122	On Craig's Creek	do.
193	On Do.	do.
130	On Do.	do.
199	On a branch of James River	do.
140	In a bent of James River	do.
181	On a branch of James River	do.
190	On a branch of Peter's Creek	do.
208	On a branch of Roanoak	do.
380	On the North side of James River	do.
285	On some Drafts of James River	do.
400	In the Forks of James River	do.
845	On a branch of Roanoak	do.
271	On the head of Meadow Run	do.
435	On a branch of Loney's Mill Creek	do.
266	On a branch of James River	do.
275	On the South fork of Roanoak	do.
120	On a branch of Looney Creek	do.
392	On a branch of James River	do.
185	On a branch of Catawba	do.
143	On the head of Broad Creek	do.
/186	At a place called the Long Bottom	do.

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Quantity	Situation	Dates
180	On both sides of Bradshaws Creek	[3 Nov: 1900
220	On a branch of James River	do:
240	On a branch of Roanoak	do:
213	On Craigs Creek	do:
246	On D:	do:
218	On D:	do:
248	On D:	do:
200	On Roanoak	do:
207	On a branch of Cedar Creek	do:
162	On Craigs Creek	do:
245	On a branch of Roanoak	do:
220	In the Forks of James River	do:
116	On Craigs Creek	do:
115	On the North side of James River	do:
100	On a branch of Buffalo Creek	do:
350	On a branch of Roanoak	do:
214	On Craigs Creek	do:
130	On a branch of Catawba	do:
250	On the head of Meadow Creek	do:
194	On a branch of James River	do:
175	On the head of Roanoak	do:
183	On the North Fork of D:	20 Sept: 1900
150	On the branches of James River	do:
334	On James River	1 Oct 1900
400	On the branches of James River	do:

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Quantity	Situation	Dates
60	On [the branches of James River]	1 Apl 1749
238	On Do.	. . . do
400	On a branch of Woods River	22d Augt 1753
620	On do.	. . . do
400	On a branch of new River	. . . do
41	On the West side of Do.	7 July 1755
140	On the Waters of the new River	. . do
95	On a branch of the New River	. . . do

Endorsed (and) Read July 3d } 1764 / Y. 119 [M.602]

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Wm-burgh Febr.y 15th 1764

My Lords

Soon after my Arrival in this Colony, from assisting at the Congress held at Augusta in Georgia with the Southern Indians, by his Majestys Commands, I recd a Letter from Sr. Jeffery Amherst requiring 500 Men from this Colony to act in Concert with his Majes-tys Forces on the British Establishment, to bring the northern Indians to Reason, who were become extremely troublesome to his Majestys Subjects of this and the neighbouring Colonies. This Requisition was repeated by the honble Major General Gage. On the Receipt of these Letters, by the Advice of his Majestys Council I calld an Assem-bly to meet on the 12th Jan.y who after sitting nine days broke up without complying with the Requisition, and entering into the Measures proposed to them by the Com-manders in chief of his Majestys Forces. [p.604] / On the seventh Day of their Session, the House of Burgesses presented an Address to me giving their Reasons why they did not think it adviseable for them in the present Sit-uation of their Affairs to enter into this Measure. This Address together with my Speech at the opening the Session and the Address of the Council and Burgesses upon it I have the honor to enclose to your Lordships. They passd some Acts, but none of any great im-portance, which I shall transmit to your Lordships as

soon as transcribed.

It was agreed among the Governors for his Majes.ty before we parted at Augusta, that the Conferences and Treaty should be printed, this was to be done at Charles Town. I have not yet received any Copies tho' I have expected them for some Days. as soon as they ar.rive I will do my self the honor to transmit a Copy to your right Hon.ble Board.

I am with the greatest Respect

My Lords

Yr. Lordships

most Obed.t & devoted Serv.t

Fran: Fauquier

To the R.t ho.ble the Lords of Trade &c.t

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Endorsed Virginia/ Letter

Rec.d March 29 } 1764./ Y. 120.
Read July 3.d

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The Acco^{t} of his Majestys Revenue of Quitrents v^{a} arising within this Colony of Virginia for the Year 1758.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows.

To Ballance of the last Acco^{t} ..... £	12,226.	2.	9
To the Quitrents of the Northern Neck for the Year 1758	6.	13.	4
To the Acco^{t} of Composition for Escheated Lands	3.	11.	8

Quitrents for the Year 1758.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount
Amelia	350000	£ 350. — —	£ 35. — —	£ 315. — —
Augusta	260000	£ 260. — —	£ 26. — —	234. — —
Albemarle	597605	£ 597. 12. 1	£ 59. 15. 2	537. 16. 11
Accomack	233713	£ 233. 14. 3	£ 23. 7. 5	210. 6. 10
Brunswick	240000	£ 240. — —	£ 24. — —	216. — —
Bedford	100000	£ 100. — —	£ 10. — —	90. — —
Caroline	200000	£ 200. — —	£ 20. — —	180. — —
Charles City ...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cumberland ...	300000	£ 300. — —	£ 30. — —	270. — —
Chesterfield	251453	£ 251. 9. —	£ 25. 2. 10	226. 6. 2
Dinwiddie	250000	£ 250. — —	£ 25. — —	225. — —
Elizabeth City ..	35317	£ 35. 6. 4	£ 3. 10. 7	31. 15. 9
Essex	144690	£ 144. 13. 10	£ 14. 9. 4	130. 4. 6
Gloucester	.....	.....	.....	.....
Goochland ...	148155	£ 148. 3. 1	£ 14. 16. 3	133. 6. 10
Hanover	253782	£ 253. 15. 8	£ 25. 7. 7	228. 8. 1
Henrico	110000	£ 110. — —	£ 11. — —	99. — —
Halifax	.....	.....	.....	.....
James City	50000	£ 50. — —	£ 5. — —	45. — —
Isle of Wight ...	130000	£ 130. — —	£ 13. — —	117. — —
King William ..	80000	£ 80. — —	£ 8. — —	72. — —
King & Queen ..	110000	£ 110. — —	£ 11. — —	99. — —
Louisa	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lunenburgh ...	35000	£ 35. — —	£ 3. 10. —	31. 10. —
Middlesex	75385	£ 75. 7. 8	£ 7. 10. 9	67. 16. 11
Nansemond ...	140000	£ 140. — —	£ 14. — —	126. — —
Norfolk	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northampton ..	104051	£ 104. 1. —	£ 10. 8. 1	93. 12. 11
New Kent	50000	£ 50. — —	£ 5. — —	45. — —
Orange	.....	.....	.....	.....
Prince George ..	130000	£ 130. — —	£ 13. — —	117. — —
Princess Anne ..	120000	£ 120. — —	£ 12. — —	108. — —
Prince Edward ..	160000	£ 160. — —	£ 16. — —	144. — —

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount					
Spotsylvania	237708	£237. 14. 2	£23. 15. 5	213.	18.	9			
Surry	90000	£90. —. —	£9. —. —	81.	—.	—			
Southampton ...	236421	£236. 8. 5	£23. 12. 10	212.	15.	7			
Sussex	220000	£220. —. —	£22. —. —	198.	—.	—			
Warwick	41498	£41. 9. 6	£4. 2. 11	37.	6.	7			
York	69713	£69. 14. 3	£6. 19. 5	62.	14.	10	4999.	—.	8
						£	17235.	8.	5

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Arrears of Quitrents paid in the Year 1758.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount					
Amelia	11799	£11. 16. —	£1. 3. 7	£ 10.	12.	5			
Augusta	100000	£100. —. —	£10. —. —	90.	—.	—			
Ditto 1756	100312	£100. 6. 3	£10. —. 7	90.	5.	8			
Albemarle	29283	£29. 5. 8	£2. 18. 6	26.	7.	2			
Ditto	151371	£151. 7. 5	£15. 2. 9	136.	4.	8			
Bedford	32536	£32. 10. 9	£3. 5. 1	29.	5.	8			
Charles City ...	9191	£9. 3. 10	£... 18. 4	8.	5.	6			
Ditto 1756	13382	£13. 7. 8	£1. 6. 9	12.	—.	11			
Cumberland ...	80000	£80. —. —	£8. —. —	72.	—.	—			
Chesterfield ...	4166	£4. 3. 4	£... 8. 4	3.	15.	—			
Elizabeth City ..	13818	£13. 16. 4	£1. 7. 7	12.	8.	9			
Hanover	1546	£1. 10. 11	£... 3. 1	1.	7.	10			
Ditto	114551	£114. 11. —	£11. 9. 1	103.	1.	11			
Halifax	45000	£45. —. —	£4. 10. —	40.	10.	—			
James City	18482	£18. 9. 8	£1. 17. —	16.	12.	8			
Isle of Wight ..	130000	£130. —. —	£13. —. —	117.	—.	—			
King William	34713	£34. 14. 3	£3. 9. 5	31.	4.	10			
Ditto 1756	16928	£16. 18. 7	£1. 13. 10	15.	4.	9			
King & Queen ..	8110	£8. 2. 2	£... 16. 2	7.	6.	—			
Louisa	335291	£335. 5. 10	£33. 10. 7	301.	15.	3			
Ditto 1756	134733	£134. 14. 8	£13. 9. 5	121.	5.	3			
Lunenburgh ...	190000	£190. —. —	£19. —. —	171.	—.	—			
Orange	170000	£170. —. —	£17. —. —	153.	—.	—			
Spotsylvania ..	5089	£5. 1. 9	£... 10. 2	4.	11.	7			
Surry	1081	£1. 1. 7	£... 2. 2	...	19.	5			
Southampton ..	5618	£5. 12. 4	£... 11. 2	5.	1.	2			
Warwick	562	£... 11. 3	£1. 1. 1	...	10.	2			
York	1900	£1. 18. —	£... 3. 9	1.	14.	3			
Ditto	30083	£30. 1. 8	£3. —. 2	27.	1.	6	1610.	12.	4
Received of Sundry persons in several Counties							31.	10.	—
						£	18877.	10.	9

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The Receiver General doth Discharge himself—

By paid to the Honble & Reverend Robert Cholmondeley on his Majestys Warrant one years Allowance ending the 25th of October 1759	£	150.	—	—
By paid to Mr. Commissary Dawson on his Majestys Warrant one Years Salary ending the 25th of October 1759.		100.	—	—
By two Warrants to the Attorney General for one Years Salary ending the 25th of October 1759		70.	—	—
By his Majestys Warrant dated at St. James's the 7th day of April 1759 for paying to James West Esqr or his Assigns		6360.	—	—
By Allowance of ½ p Ct for negotiating the Bills of Exchange in London		33.	4.	7
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Ct on £6651. 8.		332.	11.	5
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum		332.	11.	6
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to	£	7378.	7.	5
And there will remain due to Ballance this Accot		11499.	3.	4
	£	18877.	10.	9

Philip Grymes Recr Genl

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I have Examined the within Acco.t of his Majestys Revenue of Quit. rents for the Year 1758 and have compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esq.r his Majestys Receiver General and find the Charge thereof amounting to eighteen thousand eight hundred seventy seven pounds ten Shillings & nine pence and the Discharge to seven thousand three hundred seventy eight pounds seven Shillings and five pence both truly stated so that there is due to his Majestys Revenue for Ballance of this Acco.t eleven thousand four hundred ninety nine pounds three Shillings & four pence Sterling

John Blair D. Audr.

Nov.r 19th 1759

The within Acco.t compared & Examined by John Blair Esq.r Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council & Sworn to by Philip Grymes Esq.r Rec.r Gen.l

Fran.s Fauquier

Endorsed Virginia/ An Account of His/ Majestys Revenue of Quit Rents &c.a/ arising within the Colony/ of Virginia for the Year/ 1758./ Read Nov.r 19. 1760 / Y. 6

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The Accot of his Majestys Revenue of 2/ ℔ hogshead &c. Arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of October 1758. to the 25th of April 1759.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows.			
To the Accot of the Upper District of James River	£ 391.	1.	1
The Accot of the lower District of James River	434.	16.	9
The Accot of the District of York River	121.	3.	-
The Accot of the District of Rappahanock River	129.	17.	4
The Accot of the District of South Potomack	261.	16.	6
The Accot of the port of Accomack	.....	..	..
The Accot of Sundry Rights of Land sold	220.	..	8
The Accot of Fines and Forfeitures	.....	..	..
So that the whole Receipt amounts to	£ 1564.	15.	1
And there will remain due to the Receiver General to Ballance this Accot	2193.	1.	3
	£ 3757.	16.	7

The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By payment of the following Sums

By Ballance of the last Accot	£ 893.	17.	3
By a Warrant for half a Years Salary to the Governor	1000.	..	..
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600.	..	..
By a Warrant to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer	100.	..	..
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robert Kholmondeley Auditor of the plantations for half a Years Salary	50.	..	..
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr Solliciter of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100.	..	..
By a Warrant to peyton Randolph Esqr his Majestys Attorney Genl for Dr	35.	..	..
By a Warrant to Nathaniel Walthoe Esqr Clerk of the Council for Dr	50.	..	..
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a Years Salary	120.	..	..
By a Warrant to Joseph Davenport Armourer for Dr	6.	..	..
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Dr	12.	10.	..

By a Warrant to the Ministers Attending one General Court & Assembly	24 -	—	—
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	164 -	9 -	5
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	441 -	—	6
By a Warrant to the Receiver General of ½ p ℔ on £899-5-5 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	4 -	9 -	11
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p ℔ on £1564-15-4	78 -	4 -	9
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	78 -	4 -	9
	£3757 -	16 -	7

Philip Grymes Rec: Genl

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I have Examined the within Acct of his Majestys Revenue Commencing the 25th of October 1758 and ending the 25th April 1759 and have compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General and find the same truly Stated, and that there is due to the said Receiver General for Ballance thereof Two thousand one hundred & ninety three pounds one Shilling & three pence Sterling

John Blair D. Audr

May 5th 1759.

The within Acct compared and Examined by John Blair Esqr Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council & sworn to by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General

Fran: Fauquier

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Endorsed Virginia/ An Account of his Mats/ Revenue of 2/ p ℔d arising/ within the Colony of Virginia/ from the 25 October 1758 to/ the 25 April 1759./ Read Nov 19. 1760.

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The Accot of his Majestys Revenue of 2/ p Hogshead &c Arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th April 1759 to the 25th of October 1759.

The Receiver Genl doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows			
To the Accot of the Upper District of James River	£ 449.	8.	8
The Accot of the Lower District of James River	309.	12.	11
The Accot of the District of York River	293.	6.	—
The Accot of the District of Rappahannock River	687.	—.	3
The Accot of the District of South Potomack	279.	12.	—
The Accot of the Port of Accomack	45.	18.	—
The Accot of Sundry Rights of Land sold	196.	9.	4
The Accot of Fines & Forfeitures	26.	12.	—
So that the whole Receipt amounts to	£2286.	19.	2
And there will remain due to the Rect General to Ballance this Accot	2641.	2.	6
	£4928.	1.	8

The Receiver Genl doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums			
By Ballance of the last Accot	£ 2193.	1.	3
By a Warrant for half a years Salary to the Governor	1000.	—.	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600.	—.	—
By a Warrant to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer	100.	—.	—
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robert Kholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a years Salary	50.	—.	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr Solliciter of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100.	—.	—
By a Warrant to peyton Randolph Esqr his Majestys Attorney Genl for Ditto	35.	—.	—
By a Warrant to Nathl Walthoe Esqr Clerk of the Council for Ditto	50.	—.	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a years Salary	120.	—.	—
By a Warrant to Joseph Davenport Armourer for Do	6.	—.	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Do	12.	10.	—

By a Warrant to the Ministers attending on General Court	12..	—.	
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	69.	—.	10
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges.....	342.	1.	—
By Allowance to the Receiver General of ½ ℘ Ct. on £ 1947.17.4 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	9.	14..	9
By Allowance to the Auditor of 5 ℘ Ct on £2286.19.2.....	114.	6.	11
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum..	114.	6.	11
	£ 4928.	1.	8

Philip Grymes Recr Genl

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I have Examined the within Acct of his Majestys Revenue Commencing the 25th of April & ending the 25th of October 1759 & have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General & find the same truly stated & that there is due to the said Receiver General for Ballance thereof two thousand six Hundred forty one pounds two Shillings & six pence Sterling

John Blair D. Audr

Nov: 6th 1759

The within Acct Compared & Examined By John Blair Esqr Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council & sworn to by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General

Fran: Fauquier

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Endorsed Virginia/ An Account of His Matys/ Revenue of 2/ ℘ Hhd/ arising within the Colony of/ Virginia from the 25 April / to the 25. October 1759. / Read Nov: 19. 1760

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The Accot. of his Majestys Revenue of 2/ ℔ Hogshead &c Arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of October 1759 to the 25th of April 1760.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows			
To the Accot. of the Upper District of James River	£ 1068	..	1
The Accot. of the Lower District of James River	329	2	8
The Accot. of the District of York River	384	5	6
The Accot. of the District of Rappahanock River	359	3	11
The Accot. of the District of South Potomack	115	19	11
The Accot. of the Port of Accomack	....	....	....
The Accot. of Sundry Rights of Land sold	196	9	4
The Accot. of Fines & Forfeitures	4	6	5
So that the whole Receipt amounts to	£2457	7	10
And there will remain due to the Receiver General to Ballance this Accot.	2853	14	4
	£5311	2	2

The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums.

By Ballance of the last Accot.	£2641	2	6
By a Warrant for half a Years Salary to the Governor	1000	—	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600	—	—
By a Warrant to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terml.	100	—	—
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robert Kholmondeley Auditor of the plantations for half a Years Salary	50	—	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr. Solicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100	—	—
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esq his Majestys Attorney Genl. for do.	35	—	—
By a Warrant to Nathl. Walthoe Esqr. Clerk of the Council for Ditto	50	—	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a Years Salary	120	—	—
By a Warrant to Joseph Davenport Armourer for Ditto	6	—	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	12	10	—
By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court & Assembly	14	—	—

By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	45..	13..	5
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	280..	12..	7
By allowance to the Receiver General of ½ p Cᵗ on £2032.1.10 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	10..	8..	10
By allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Cᵗ on £2457.7.10	122..	17..	5
By allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	122..	17..	5
£	5311..	2..	2

Philip Grymes Recr Genl

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I have Examined the within Accot of his Majesties Revenue Commencing the 25th of October 1759. & ending the 25th of April 1760 and have compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General & find the same truly stated and that there is due to the said Receiver General for Ballance thereof two thousand eight hundred fifty three Pounds fourteen Shillings & four pence Sterling—

John Blair D. Audr

May 4th 1760

The within Accot compared & Examined by Jno Blair Esqr Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council & sworn to by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General.

Fran: Fauquier

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Endorsed Virginia/ An Account of his/ Majestys Revenue of 2/ p hhd arising within the/ Colony of Virginia from the/ 25 October 1759 to 25 April 1760. to the /Y.7/ Read Nov. 19. 1760..

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The Accot of his Majestys Revenue of Quitrents &c arising within this Colony of Virginia for the Year 1759.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows.

To Ballance of the last Accot ..... £	1149.	3.	4
To the Quitrents of the Northern Neck for the Year 1759	6.	13.	4
To the Accot of Compositions for Escheated Lands	.. .. ..	..	..

Quitrents for the Year 1759.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount		
Amelia	380288	£380. 5. 9	£38. — .7	£342.	5.	2
Augusta	350000	£350. — —	£35. — —	£315.	—	—
Albermarle ...	420000	£420. — —	£42. — —	£378.	—	—
Accomack	233713	£233. 14. 3	£23. 7. 5	£210.	6.	10
Brunswick ...	220000	£220. — —	£22. — —	198.	—	—
Bedford	80000	£80. — —	£8. — —	72.	—	—
Caroline	100000	£100. — —	£10. — —	90.	—	—
Charles City ..	50000	£50. — —	£5. — —	45.	—	—
Cumberland ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.
Chesterfield ..	230000	£230. — —	£23. — —	207.	—	—
Dinwiddie ...	260797	£260. 15. 11	£26. 1. 7	234.	14.	4
Elizabeth City	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	
Essex	144499	£144. 10. —	£14. 9. —	130.	1.	—
Gloucester ...	160000	£160. — —	£16. — —	144.	—	—
Goochland ...	144459	£144. 9. 2	£14. 8. 11	130.	—	3
Hanover	250000	£250. — —	£25. — —	225.	—	—

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount		
Henrico	105 000	£105 . — . —	£10 . 10 . —	94 .	10 .	—
Halifax	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	..
James City ...	85 000	£85 . — . —	£8 . 10 . —	76 .	10 .	—
Isle of Wight..	110 000	£110 . — . —	£11 . — . —	99 .	— .	—
King William..	80 000	£80 . — . —	£8 . — . —	72 .	— .	—
King & Queen..	188485	£188 . 9 . 8	£18 . 16 . 11	169 .	12 .	9
Louisa	220 000	£220 . — . —	£22 . — . —	198 .	— .	—
Lunenburg ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Middlesex ...	75495	£75 . 9 . 11	£7 . 10 . 11	67 .	19 .	—
Nansemond ..	155158	£155 . 3 . 2	£15 . 10 . 4	139 .	12 .	10
Norfolk	55000	£55 . — . —	£5 . 10 . —	49 .	10 .	—
Northampton ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
New Kent	100 000	£100 . — . —	£10 . — . —	90 .	— .	—
Orange	200 000	£200 . — . —	£20 . — . —	180 .	— .	—
Prince George.	135 000	£135 . — . —	£13 . 10 . —	121 .	10 .	—
Princess Ann..	120 000	£120 . — . —	£12 . — . —	108 .	— .	—
Prince Edward	180521	£180 . 10 . 5	£18 . 1 . —	162 .	9 .	5
Spotsylvania.	239 160	£239 . 3 . 2	£23 . 18 . 4	215 .	4 .	10
Surry	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Southampton..	230 000	£230 . — . —	£23 . — . —	£ 207 .	— .	—
Sussex	220000	£220 . — . —	£22 . — . —	£ 198 .	— .	—
Warwick	41779	£ 41 . 15 . 7	£ 4 . 3 . 7	£ 34 .	12 .	—
York	35000	£ 35 . — . —	£ 3 . 10 . —	£ 31 .	10 .	—
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Arrears of Quitrents paid in the Year 1759.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount		
Amelia	. . 1830	£ 1 . 16 . 7	£ 0 . 3 . 8	£ . . 1 .	12 .	11
Do	35422	£ 35 . 8 . 5	£ 3 . 10 . 10	31 .	17 .	7
Augusta	10844 12	£ 108 . 8 . 3	£ 10 . 16 . 10	97 .	11 .	5
Brunswick 1757	145198	£ 145 . 4 . —	£ 14 . 10 . 5	130 .	13 .	7
Bedford	36471	£ 36 . 9 . 5	£ 3 . 12 . 11	32 .	16 .	6
Caroline 1752	105000	£ 105 . — . —	£ 10 . 10 . —	94 .	10 .	—
Dinwiddie 1756	42553	£ 42 . 11 . 1	£ 4 . 5 . 1	38 .	6 .	—
Essex	9168	£ 9 . 3 . 4	£ — . 18 . 4	8 .	5 .	—
Gloucester . . .	168641	£ 168 . 12 . 10	£ 16 . 17 . 3	151 .	15 .	7
Do . . . 1754	48641	£ 48 . 12 . 10	£ 4 . 17 . 3	43 .	15 .	7
Henrico	4288	£ 4 . 5 . 9	£ — . 8 . 7	3 .	17 .	2
Hallifax . . 1766	17212	£ 17 . 4 . 3	£ 1 . 14 . 5	15 .	9 .	10
Do . . . 1755	48986	£ 48 . 19 . 9	£ 4 . 17 . 11	44 .	1 .	10
Do . . . 1754	48333	£ 48 . 6 . 8	£ 4 . 16 . 8	43 .	10 .	—
James City . . .	38748	£ 38 . 15 . —	£ 3 . 17 . 6	34 .	17 .	6
King William 1755	66928	£ 66 . 18 . 7	£ 6 . 13 . 10	60 .	4 .	9
King & Queen . . .	81646	£ 81 . 12 . 11	£ 8 . 3 . 3	73 .	9 .	8
Do . . . 1754	65000	£ 65 . — . —	£ 6 . 10 . —	58 .	10 .	—
Lunenburg . . .	220000	£ 220 . — . —	£ 22 . — . —	198 .	— .	—
Do . . . 1757	67000	£ 67 . — . —	£ 6 . 14 . —	60 .	6 .	—
Do . . . 1756	170000	£ 170 . — . —	£ 17 . — . —	153 .	— .	—
Do . . . 1752	149446	£ 149 . 8 . 11	£ 14 . 18 . 11	134 .	10 .	—

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowance	Amount					
Middlesex	12120	£12. 2. 5	£1. 4. 3	10.	18.	2			
Nansemond ...	16778	£16. 15. 7	£1. 13. 6	15.	2.	1			
Norfolk	140203	£140. 4. —	£14. — 5	126.	3.	7			
Do ... 1757	9803	£ 9. 16. —	£ — 19. 7	8.	16.	5			
New Kent	54563	£54. 11. 3	£5. 9. 1	49.	2.	2			
Do ... 1757	54549	£54. 11. —	£5. 9. 1	49.	1.	11			
Do ... 1756	5474	£ 5. 9. 6	£. 10. 11	4.	18.	7			
Princess Ann..	6405	£ 6. 8. 1	£. 12. 9	5.	15.	4			
Do ... 1757	46689	£46. 13. 9	£4. 13. 4	42.	—.	5			
Do ... 1754	18367	£18. 7. 4	£1. 16. 9	16.	10.	7			
Prince Edward	7300	£ 7. 6. —	£. 14. 7	6.	11.	5			
Do	18398	£18. 7. 11	£1. 16. 9	16.	11.	2			
Orange	200000	£200. — —	£20. — —	180.	—.	—			
Do .. 1756	25122	£ 25. 2. 5	£2. 10. 3	22.	12.	2			
Do .. 1755	66499	£ 66. 10. —	£6. 13. —	59.	17.	—			
Do .. 1742	56500	£ 56. 10. —	£5. 13. —	50.	17.	—			
Spotsylvania..	10417	£ 10. 8. 4	£1. —. 10	9.	7.	6			
Surry ... 1756	51313	£ 51. 6. 3	£5. 2. 7	46.	3.	8			
Sussex	6978	£ 6. 19. 6	£. 13. 11	6.	5.	7	2237.	15.	8
Recd of Sundry Persons in several Counties							34.	5.	6
						£	1881 7.	6.	3

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The Receiver General doth Discharge himself

By paid to the Honble & Reverend Robert Kholmondeley on his Majestys Warrant one years Allowance ending the 25th of October 1760	£ 150.	--	-
By paid to Mr Commissary Dawson on his Majesty's Warrant one Years Salary ending the 25th of October 1760	100.	--	-
By two Warrants to the Attorney General for one Years Salary ending the 25th of October 1760	70.	--	-
By his Majestys Warrant dated at Kensington the 16th day of May 1760 for paying to James West Esqr or his Assigns	6360.	--	-
By allowance of £9. 10. 6 p Ct on £6651. 8. the Receipt of Quitrents for the Year 1758 to enable the Recr Genl to remit the same to London by Bills of Exchange	633.	10.	11
By Do on £7318. 2. 11 the Receipt of this Accot	697.	1.	-
By allowance of ½ p Ct for Negotiating the Bills of Exchange in London	30.	8.	9
By allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Ct on £5957. 11.	299.	7.	6
By allowance to the Receiver Genl on the same Sum	299.	7.	6
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to £	8639.	16.	5
And there will remain due to Ballance this Accot	10177.	10.	7
£	18817.	6.	3

Philip Grymes Recr Genl

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I have Examined the within Accot of his Majestys Revenue of Quitrents for the Year 1759 & have Compared every Article within its proper Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General & find the Charge thereof amounting to eighteen thousand eight Hundred seventeen Pounds six Shillings & three Pence & the Discharge to eight thousand six hundred thirty nine Pounds fifteen Shillings & eight Pence both truly Stated so that there is due to his Majesty's Revenue for Ballance of this Accot ten thousand one hundred seventy seven Pounds ten Shillings & Seven Pence Sterling

John Blair D. Audr

Novr 12th 1760

The within Accot Compared & Examined by John Blair Esqr Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council & sworn to by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General

Fran: Fauquier

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The Accot of his Majestys Revenue of 2/ ℔ Hhd &c Arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of April 1760 to the 25th of October following.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows.			
To the Accot of the Upper District of James River	£ 1344.	15.	2
The Accot of the Lower District of James River	319.	5.	10
The Accot of the District of York River	1174.	2.	5
The Accot of the District of Rappahanock River	1459.	.	9
The Accot of the District of South Potomack	811.	14.	6
The Accot of the Port of Accomack	17.	.	3
The Accot of Sundry Rights of Land sold	222.	2.	8
The Accot of Fines & Forfeitures	924.	4.	11
So that the whole Receipt amounts to	£ 6325.	6.	6
And there will remain due to the Receiv.-er General to Ballance this Accot	31.	14.	3
	£ 6357.	.	9

The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums			
By Ballance of the last Accot	£ 2853.	14.	4
By a Warrant for half a years Salary to the Governor	1000.	.	.
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600.	.	.
By a Warrant to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer	100.	.	.
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robert Kholmondeley Auditor of the plantations for half a Years Salary	50.	.	.
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr Sollicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100.	.	.
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esqr his Majestys Attorney Genl for Do	35.	.	.
By a Warrant to Nathl Walthoe Esqr Clerk of the Council for Do	50.	.	.
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a Years Salary	120.	.	.
By a Warrant to Joseph Davenport Armourer for Do	6.	.	.
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Do	12.	10.	.

By a Warrant to the Ministers Attending one General Court & Assembly	10 ..	---	-
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	114 -	---	11
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	645 -	12 -	5
By Allowance to the Receiver General of ½ p Ct on £5519 - 13 - 2 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	27 -	11 -	11
By allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Ct on £6325 - 6 - 6	316 -	5 -	7
By allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	316 -	5 -	7
	£6357 -	--	9

Philip Grymes Recr Genl

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/I have Examined the within Accot of his Majestys Revenue Commencing the 25th of April 1760 and ending the 25th of October following and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General, and find the same truly stated and that there is due to the said Receiver General for Ballance thereof thirty one Pounds fourteen Shillings & three Pence Sterling.

John Blair D. Audr

Novr 12d 1760.

The within Accot Compared & Examined by Jno Blair Esqr Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and sworn to by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General

Fran: Fauquier

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The Accot of his Majestys Revenue of 2/ ℔ Hogshead &c: aris:
:ing within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of Oc:
:tober 1760 to the 25th of April 1761

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows.			
The Accot of the Upper District of James River	£ 699.	12.	9
The Accot of the Lower District of James River	289.	2.	7
The Accot of the District of York River	168.	17.	2
The Accot of the District of Rappahannock River	287.	8.	7
The Accot of the District of South Potomack	319.	4.	7
The Accot of the Port of Accomack	.....	..	.
The Accot of Sundry Rights of Land sold	212.	6.	8
The Accot of Fines and Forfeitures	.....	..	..
So that the whole Receipt amounts to	£ 1976.	12.	4
And there will remain due to the Receiver General for Ballance of this Accot	981.	5.	2
	£ 2957.	17.	6
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums.			
By Ballance of the last Accot	£ 31.	14.	3
By a Warrant for half a years Salary to the Governor	1000.	—	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Termin.r	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robert Kholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a Years Salary	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr Sollicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Do	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esqr his Majestys Attorney General for Ditto	35.	—	—
By a Warrant to Nath.l Walthoe Esqr Clerk of the Council for Do	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a Years Salary	120.	—	—
By a Warrant to Hugh Orr Armourer for Do	6.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Do	12.	10.	—

By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one Genl Court & Assembly	22..	—	—
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	82..	9..	6
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	594..	—	8
By allowance to the Receiver General of ½ p Cᵗ on £1299.12.2 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	6..	9..	11
By allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Cᵗ on £1976.12.4	98..	16..	7
By allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	98..	16..	7
	£2957.	17.	6

Philip Grymes Recᵗ Genl

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/I have Examined the within Accᵒ of his Majestys Revenue Commencing the 25th of October 1760 and ending the 25th of April 1761 and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General and find the same truly stated and that there is due to the said Receiver General for Balance thereof nine hundred eighty one Pounds five Shillings and two Pence Sterling.

John Blair D. Audr

May 6th 1761

The within Accᵗ Compared & Examined by Jnᵒ Blair Esqr Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and sworn to by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General.

Fran: Fauquier

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The Accot of his Majestys Revenue of Quitrents &c Arising within this Colony of Virginia for the Year 1760.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows.

To Ballance of the last Accot	£	10177	10 7
To the Quitrents of the Northern Neck for the Year 1760		6	13 4
To the Accot of Compositions for Escheated Lands		3	4 --

Quitrents for the Year 1760.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount
Amelia	330000	£ 330	£ 33	£ 297
Augusta	300000	£ 300	£ 30	270
Albermarle	500000	£ 500	£ 50	450
Accomack	230000	£ 230	£ 23	207
Brunswick	170000	£ 170	£ 17	153
Bedford				
Caroline	90000	£ 90	£ 9	81
Charles City				
Cumberland	250000	£ 250	£ 25	225
Chesterfield	260374	£ 260 7 5	£ 26 8	234 6 9
Dinwiddie	240000	£ 240	£ 24	216
Elizabeth City	35254	£ 35 6 1	£ 3 10 6	31 14 7
Essex	146519	£ 146 10 4	£ 14 13 --	131 17 4
Gloucester	171964	£ 171 19 3	£ 17 3 11	154 15 4
Goochland				
Hanover	256012	£ 256 -- 3	£ 25 12 --	230 8 3
Henrico	50000	£ 50	£ 5	45

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount		
Hallifax	80000	£80 . — . —	£8 . — . —	72.	—	—
James City ...	50000	£50 . — . —	£5 . — . —	45.	—	—
Isle of Wight..	140000	£140 . — . —	£14 . — . —	126.	—	—
King William .	30000	£30 . — . —	£3 . — . —	27.	—	—
King & Queen..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Louisa	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Lunenburg...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Middlesea ...	76149	£76 . 2 . 11	£7 . 12 . 4	68.	10.	7
Nansemond .	150000	£150 . — . —	£15 . — . —	135.	—	—
Norfolk	145359	£145 . 7 . 2	£14 . 10 . 8	130.	16.	6
Northampton..	103586	£103 . 11 . 9	£10 . 7 . 2	93.	4.	7
New Kent ...	98128	£98 . 2 . 8	£9 . 16 . 3	88.	6.	5
Orange	170000	£170 . — . —	£17 . — . —	153.	—	—
Prince George..	149186	£149 . 3 . 9	£14 . 18 . 4	134.	5.	5
Princess Ann..	80000	£80 . — . —	£8 . — . —	72.	—	—
Prince Edward	180683	£180 . 13 . 9	£18 . 1 . 4	162.	12.	5
Spotsylvania..	244218	£244 . 4 . 4	£24 . 8 . 5	219.	16.	11
Surrey	120000	£120 . — . —	£12 . — . —	108.	—	—
Southampton..	238934	£238 . 18 . 3	£23 . 17 . 10	215.	—	10
Sussex	220000	£220 . — . —	£22 . — . —	198.	—	—
Warwick	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
York	30000	£30 . — . —	£3 . — . —	27.	—	—
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				£	14990.	2. 10

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Arrears of Quitrents paid in the Year 1760.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount.		
Albemarle 1759	18374 8	£ 183. 11. 11	£ 18. 7. 5	£ 165.	7.	6
D°. 1754	22368	£ 22. 7. 4	£ 2. 4. 9	20.	2.	7
Brunswick .. 1759	90000	£ 90. —. —	£ 9. —. —	81.	—.	—
Bedford 1757	56803	£ 56. 16. 1	£ 5. 13. 7	51.	2.	6
Caroline 1759	171023	£ 171. —. 6	£ 17. 2. —	153.	18.	6
D°. 1758	68841	£ 68. 16. 10	£ 6. 17. 8	61.	19.	2
D°. 1757	28841	£ 28. 16. 10	£ 2. 17. 8	25.	19.	2
Charles City .. 1758	50000	£ 50. —. —	£ 5. —. —	45.	—.	—
D°. 1754	39191	£ 39. 3. 10	£ 3. 18. 4	35.	5.	6
D°. 1753	19191	£ 19. 3. 10	£ 1. 18. 4	17.	5.	6
Cumberland 1759	305209	£ 305. 4. 2	£ 30. 10. 5	274.	13.	9
D°. 1758	2120	£ 2. 2. 5	£ . 4. 3	1.	18.	2
D°. 1757	7965	£ 7. 19. 3	£ . 15. 11	7.	3.	4
D°. 1755	73966	£ 73. 19. 4	£ 7. 7. 11	66.	11.	5
Chesterfield 1759	30425	£ 30. 8. 6	£ 3. —. 10	27.	7.	8
Dinwiddie 1757	30000	£ 30. —. —	£ 3. —. —	27.	—.	—
D°. 1755	233623	£ 233. 12. 6	£ 23. 7. 3	210.	5.	3
D°. 1754	51973	£ 51. 19. 6	£ 5. 3. 11	46.	15.	7
Elizabeth City 1759	35254	£ 35. 5. 1	£ 3. 10. 6	31.	14.	7
Gloucester .. 1759	11964	£ 11. 19. 3	£ 1. 3. 11	10.	15.	4
D°. 1756	1562	£ 1. 11. 3	£ —. 3. 1	1.	8.	2
Goochland 1757	7745	£ 7. 14. 11	£ . 15. 6	6.	19.	5

Counties Names		Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount		
Hanover	1759	26577	£ 26 . 11 . 6	£ 2 . 13 . 2	23.	18.	4
D°	1755	48000	£ 48 . — . —	£ 4 . 16 . —	43.	4.	—
Henrico	1759	19103	£ 19 . 2 . 1	£ 1 . 18 . 2	17.	3.	11
Halifax	1759	171251	£ 171 . 5 . —	£ 17 . 2 . 6	154.	2.	6
D°	1758	169385	£ 169 . 7 . 8	£ 16 . 18 . 9	152.	8.	11
D°	1757	70000	£ 70 . — . —	£ 7 . — . —	63.	—	—
D°	1753	58918	£ 58 . 18 . 4	£ 5 . 17 . 10	53.	—	6
James City	1759	2987	£ 2 . 19 . 9	£ . 5 . 11	2.	13.	10
Louisa	1759	100000	£ 100 . — . —	£ 10 . — . —	90.	—	—
Lunenburg	1759	60000	£ 60 . — . —	£ 6 . — . —	54.	—	—
D°	1758	108931	£ 108 . 18 . 7	£ 10 . 17 . 10	98.	—	9
D°	1757	98648	£ 98 . 12 . 10	£ 9 . 17 . 3	88.	15.	8
D°	1752	115000	£ 115 . — . —	£ 11 . 10 . —	103.	10.	—
D°	1751	140000	£ 140 . — . —	£ 14 . — . —	126.	—	—
Norfolk	1759	90359	£ 90 . 7 . 2	£ 9 . — . 8	81.	6.	6
Northampton	1759	104051	£ 104 . 1 . —	£ 10 . 8 . 1	93.	12.	11
Orange	1758	16921	£ 16 . 18 . 5	£ 1 . 13 . 10	15.	4.	7
D°	1757	49839	£ 49 . 16 . 10	£ 4 . 19 . 8	44.	17.	2
D°	1754	115000	£ 115 . — . —	£ 11 . 10 . —	103.	10.	—
D°	1748	96821	£ 96 . 16 . 5	£ 9 . 13 . 8	87.	2.	9
Prince George	1759	17017	£ 17 . — . 4	£ 1 . 14 . —	15.	6.	4
D°	1758	19867	£ 19 . 17 . 4	£ 1 . 19 . 9	17.	17.	7
D°	1757	2297	£ 2 . 5 . 11	£ . 4 . 7	2.	1.	4
Surry	1759	124988	£ 124 . 19 . 9	£ 12 . 9 . 11	112.	9.	10
D°	1758	35136	£ 35 . 2 . 9	£ 3 . 10 . 3	31.	12.	6
Sussex	1759	11296	£ 11 . 5 . 11	£ 1 . 2 . 7	10.	3.	4
D°	1756	50000	£ 50 . — . —	£ 5 . — . —	45.	—	—
D°	1755	7457	£ 7 . 9 . 2	£ . 14 . 11	6.	14.	3
Southampton	1759	8154	£ 8 . 3 . 1	£ . 16 . 4	7.	6.	9
						3113.	17. 4
Reed of Sundry Persons in several Counties . . .						18.	6. 10
					£	18122.	7. —

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The Receiver General doth Discharge himself

By paid to the Honble & Reverend Robert Kholmondeley on his Majestys Warrant one years allowance ending the 25th of October 1761	£ 150.	—	—
By paid to the Executor of Mr. Commissary Dawson for his Salary to the time of his Death	9.	17.	3
By two Warrants to the Attorney General for one years Salary ending the 26th of October 1761	70.	—	—
By allowance of £12.12.10½ p Cᵗ on £7934.19.1 the receipt of this Accᵒ to enable the Receiver General to remitᵉ the same to London by Bills of Exchange	1003.	5.	5
By allowance of ½ p Cᵗ for negotiating the Bills of Exchange in London	34.	14.	2
By allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Cᵗ on £6941.11.—	347.	1.	6
By allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	347.	1.	6
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to	£1961.	19.	10
And there will remain due to Balance this Accᵒ	16160.	7.	2
£	18122.	7.	—

Philip Grymes Recr Genl

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I have Examined the within Acct. of his Majestys Revenue of Quit. rents for the year 1760 and have compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esqr. Receiver General & find the Charge thereof amounting to eighteen thousand one hundred twenty two Pounds seven Shillings & the Discharge to nineteen hundred sixty one Pounds nineteen Shillings and ten Pence, both truly stated So that there is due to his Majestys Revenue for Balance of this Acct. sixteen thousand one hundred sixty Pounds seven Shillings & two Pence Sterling

John Blair D. Aud.

Dec. 9th. 1761

The within Acct. compared & Examined by John Blair Esqr. Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council & sworn to by Philip Grymes Esqr. Receiver General.

Fran. Fauquier

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Endorsed Virginia/ Account of His Majesty's/ Revenue of Quit-rents &c/ arising within the Colony/ of Virginia, for the year 1760./ Read April 6. 1762./ 45

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[1933]

The Accot of his Majestys Revenue of 2s p Hogshead & Aris-ing within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of April 1761 to the 25th of October following

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows.			
The Accot of the upper District of James River . . . . . £	1204.	3.	3
The Accot of the lower District of James River	318.	3.	3
The Accot of the District of York River	1064.	11.	1
The Accot of the District of Rappahannock River	1396.	18.	9
The Accot of the District of South Potomack	438.	1.	7
The Accot of the Port of Accomack	51.	2.	
The Accot of Sundry Rights of Land Sold	253.	17.	4
The Accot of Fines & Forfeitures	237.	17.	4
£	4954.	11.	7
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums.			
By Ballance of the last Accot . . . . . £	981.	5.	2
By a Warrant for half a Years Salary to the Governor . .	1000.	—	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council . . .	600.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminr	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robert Cholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a Years Salary . . .	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr Sollicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esqr his Majestys At-torney General for Ditto	35.	—	—
By a Warrant to Nathl Walthoe Esqr Clerk of the Council for Ditto	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a Years Salary . . .	120.	—	—
By a Warrant to Hugh Orr Armourer for Ditto	6.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	12.	10.	—
By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court	10.	—	—
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	77.	11.	11

By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	252..	19..	1
By allowance to the Receiver General of 2½ p Ct on £4548.3.7 for negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	22..	17..	9
By allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Ct on £4954.14.7	247..	14..	8
By allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	247..	14..	8
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to ..... £	3913..	13..	3
And there will remain due to Balance this Acct ...	1041..	1..	4
£	4954..	14..	7

Philip Grymes Rect. Genl.

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I have Examined the within Acct of his Majestys Revenue Commencing the 25th of April 1761 and ending the 25th of October following & have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General and find the same truly stated and that there is due from the said Receiver General for Ballance thereof one thousand forty one Pounds one Shilling & four Pence Sterling

John Blair D. Audr.

Novr 6th 1761

The within Acct Compared & Examined by John Blair Esqr Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council & sworn to by Philip Grymes Esqr Receiver General.

Fran. Fauquier

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The Accot. of his Majestys Revenue of 2/ ℔ Hogshead &c. arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th October 1761 to the 25th April 1762

The Executors of Philip Grymes Esqr late Receiver General, do Charge themselves with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows			
To Balance of the last Accot.	£ 1041.	1.	4
The Accot. of the Upper District of James River	957.	11.	10
The Accot. of the lower District of James River	220.	16.	7
The Accot. of the District of York River	132.	13.	5
The Accot. of the District of Rappahannock River	276.	12.	6
The Accot. of the District of South Potomack	251.	10.	11
The Accot. of the Port of Accomack	....	.....	...
The Accot. of Sundry Rights of Land sold	196.	—	—
The Accot. of Fines and Forfeitures	13.	—	8
£	3089.	10.	3
The said Executors do Discharge themselves By the Payment of the following Sums			
By a Warrant for half a years Salary to the Governor	£ 1000.	—	—
By a Warrant for Do. to the Gentlemen of the Council	600.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robt Cholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a Years Salary	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr Solliciter of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esqr his Majestys Attorney General for Ditto	35.	—	—
By a Warrant to Nathl Walthoe Esqr Clerk of the Council for Ditto	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a Years Salary	120.	—	—
By a Warrant to Hugh Orr Armourer for Ditto	6.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	12.	10.	—
By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court	10.	—	—
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	49.	14.	4

By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	359.	9.	11
By allowance of ½ p Cᵗ on £1500.14.8 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	8.	3.	2
By allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Cᵗ on £2048.8.11	102.	8.	6
By allowance to the Executors on the same Sum	102.	8.	5
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to ..... £	2705.	14.	3
And there will remain due to Balance this Acct to be paid into the hands of Francis Fauquier Junr Esquire Receiver General	383.	16.	—
£	3089.	10.	3

Peyton Randolph

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I have Examined the within Acct of his Majesty's Revenue Commencing the 25th of October 1761 and ending the 25th of April 1762 and have Com-pared every Article with its proper Vouchers produced by Peyton Randolph Esqr one of the Executors of Philip Grymes Esqr late Receiver General and find the Charge thereof amounting to three thousand eighty nine Pounds ten Shillings and three Pence; and the Discharge to two thou-sand seven hundred five Pounds fourteen Shillings and three pence; both truly Stated. So that there is due to his Majestys Revenue for Ballance of this Acct to be paid into the hands of Francis Fauquier Junr Esqr Receiver General the Sum of three hundred eighty three Pounds sixteen Shillings Sterling.

John Blair D. Audr

May 4th 1762

The within Acct Compared and Examined by John Blair Esqr Deputy Audi-tor was produced to me in Council and sworn to by Peyton Randolph Esqr one of the Executors of Philip Grymes Esqr late Receiver General.

Fran: Fauquier

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The Acco: of his Majestys Revenue of Quitrents &c: Arising within this Colony of Virginia for the Year 1761.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows

	£		
To the Quitrents of the Northern Neck for the year 1761	£	6.	13. 1½
To the Acco: of Compositions for Escheated Lands		.....	19. 1

Quitrents for the Year 1761.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount
Amelia	392517	£392. 10. 4	£39. 5. —	£353. 6. 4
Augusta	407000	£407. — . —	£40. 14. —	366. 6. —
Albermarle	348000	£348. — . —	£34. 16. —	313. 4. —
Accomack	235000	£235. — . —	£23. 10. —	211. 10. —
Amherst	226361	£226. 7. 3	£22. 12. 9	203. 14. 6
Brunswick ...	148000	£148. — . —	£14. 16. —	133. 4. —
Bedford	176404	£176. 8. 1	£17. 12. 10	158. 15. 3
Buckingham ..	176312	£176. 6. 3	£17. 12. 7	158. 13. 8
Caroline	277973	£277. 19. 6	£27. 16. —	250. 3. 6
Charles City ..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cumberland ...	310574	£310. 11. 6	£31. 1. 1	279. 10. 5
Chesterfield ...	260741	£260. 14. 10	£26. 1. 5	234. 13. 5
Dinwiddie	263528	£263. 10. 7	£26. 7. 1	237. 3. 6
Elizabeth City ..	25000	£25. — . —	£2. 10. —	22. 10. —
Essex	145789	£145. 15. 9	£14. 11. 7	131. 4. 2
Gloucester	171885	£171. 17. 8	£17. 3. 9	154. 13. 11
Goochland	140000	£140. — . —	£14. — . —	126. — . —
Hanover	261409	£261. 8. 2	£26. 2. 9	235. 5. 5
Henrico	121074	£121. 1. 6	£12. 2. 2	108. 19. 4
Halifax	.....	.....	.....	.....
James City ...	88757	£88. 15. 2	£8. 17. 6	79. 17. 8
Isle of Wight ...	138881	£138. 17. 7	£13. 17. 9	124. 19. 10
King William ..	147972	£147. 19. 6	£14. 16. —	133. 3. 6
King & Queen ..	189507	£189. 10. 2	£18. 19. —	170. 11. 2
Louisa	239180	£239. 3. 7	£23. 18. 4	215. 5. 3
Lunenburgh ..	240000	£240. — . —	£24. — . —	216. — . —
Middlesex ...	76095	£76. 1. 11	£7. 12. 2	68. 9. 9

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount			
Nansemond...	150 000	£ 150. — .—	£ 15. — .—	135 . — . —			
Norfolk	.....	.....	.....	.....			
Northampton..	103574	£ 103. 11. 6	£ 10. 7. 2	93 . 4 . 4			
New Kent	109363	£ 109. 7. 4	£ 10. 18. 9	98 . 8 . 7			
Orange	115 000	£ 115. — .—	£ 11 . 10 . —	103 . 10 . —			
Prince George..	157615	£ 157. 12. 3	£ 15. 15. 2	141 . 17 . 1			
Princess Ann..	129677	£ 129. 13. 6	£ 12. 19. 4	116 . 14 . 2			
Prince Edward.	186776	£ 186. 15. 6	£ 18 . 13 . 6	168 . 2 . —			
Spotsylvania..	242106	£ 242. 2. 1	£ 24. 4. 2	217 . 17 . 11			
Surry	134412	£ 134. 8. 3	£ 13. 8. 10	120 . 19 . 5			
Southampton...	259392	£ 259. 7. 10	£ 25 . 18 . 9	233 . 9 . 1			
Sussex	237425	£ 237. 8. 6	£ 23. 14. 10	213 . 13 . 8			
Warwick	.....	.....	.....	.....			
York	70339	£ 70. 6. 9	£ 7. — .8	63 . 6 . 1	6393.	5.	11
				£	6400.	18.	4

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The Receiver General doth Discharge himself

By Allowance of £20.16.8 p Cᵗ on £6393.5.11 the Receipt of this Accᵒ to enable the Receiver General to remit the same to London by Bills of Exchange	£ 1331.	18.	8
By Allowance of ½ p Cᵗ for Negotiating the Bills of Exchange in London	32.	—.	1
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Cᵗ on £6400.18.4 ..	320.	—.	11
By Allowance to the Receiver General, on the same Sum	320.	—.	11
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to	£ 2004.	—.	7
And there will remain due to Balance this Accᵒ ...	4396.	17.	9
£	6400.	18.	4

Rᵈ Corbin D. Rec. Genˡ

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I have Examined the within Accot of his Majestys Revenue of Quitrents for the year 1761 and have compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esqr Receiver General and find the Charge thereof amounting to Six thousand four hundred Pounds eighteen Shillings and four Pence; and the Discharge to two thousand four Pounds and seven Pence; both truly Stated, So that there is due to his Majestys Revenue for Balance of this Accot four thousand three hundred ninety six Pounds seventeen Shillings and nine Pence Sterling

John Blair D. Audr

Decr 4th 1762

The within Accot Compared and Examined by John Blair Esqr Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Richard Corbin Esqr Receiver General.

Fran: Fauquier

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The Accot of his Majestys Revenue of 2/ p Hogshead &c Aris-
-ing within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of April
1762 to the 25th of October 1762

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows			
To Balance of the last Accot paid by the Executors of Philip Grymes Esqr late Receiver General	£ 383.	16.	—
The Accot of the Upper District of James River	1396.	5.	6
The Accot of the Lower District of James River	408.	4.	9
The Accot of the District of York River	841.	13.	8
The Accot of the District of Rappahannock River	1322.	—	—
The Accot of the District of South Potomack	541.	5.	5
The Accot of the Port of Accomack	130.	10.	6
The Accot of Sundry Rights of Land sold	317.	6.	8
The Accot of Fines and Forfeitures	20.	18.	6
	£ 5362.	1.	—
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums			
By a Warrant for half a years Salary to the Governor	£ 1000.	—	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Judges and other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robt Cholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a years Salary	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr Sollicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esqr his Majestys Attorney General for Ditto	35.	—	—
By a Warrant to Nathl Walthoe Esqr Clerk of the Coun-cil for Do	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a years Salary	120.	—	—
By a Warrant to Hugh Orr Armourer for Ditto	6.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	12.	10.	—
By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court	14.	—	—

By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House ...	92.	17.	2
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	417.	16.	6
By allowance of ½ p Ct on £4417. 11. 4 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	22.	1.	9
By allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Ct on £4978. 5. —	248.	18.	3
By allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	248.	18.	3
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to ..... £	3118.	1.	11
And there will remain due to Balance this Accot	2243.	19.	1
£	5362.	1.	—

Rd Corbin D.R. Genl

[p.500]

I have Examined the within Accot of his Majestys Revenue Commenc. ing the 25th of April 1762 and ending the 25th of October 1762 and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esqr Receiver General and find the Charge thereof amounting to five thousand three hundred sixty two Pounds one Shilling, and the Dis- charge to three thousand one hundred eighteen Pounds one Shilling and eleven Pence both truly Stated So that there is due to his Majestys Revenue for Balance of this Accot two thousand two hundred forty three Pounds nineteen Shillings and one penny Sterling

John Blair D. Audr

November 5th 1762

The within Accot Compared and Examined by John Blair Esqr Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and sworn to by Richard Corbin Esqr Receiver General

Fran. Fauquier

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The Accot of his Majestys Revenue of 2/- ℔ Hogshead &c Arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of October 1762 to the 25th of April 1763.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows.			
To balance of the last Accot	£ 2243.	14.	1
The Accot of the upper District of James River	829.	7.	3
The Accot of the lower District of James River	343.	6.	3
The Accot of the District of York River	240.	4.	8
The Accot of the District of Rappahannock River	363.	18.	9
The Accot of the District of South Potomack	241.	13.	5
The Accot of the Port of Accomack	....	..	..
The Accot of sundry Rights of Land sold	399.	9.	4
The Accot of Fines and Forfeitures	.....	...	..
	£ 4661.	18.	9

The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the payment of the following Sums.			
By a Warrant for half a years Salary to the Governor	£ 1000.	—	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Judges and other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Term.r	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robert Cholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a years Salary	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esq.r Sollicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esq.r his Majestys Attorney General for Ditto	35.	—	—
By a Warrant to Nath.l Walthoe Esq.r Clerk of the Council for Do	75.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a years Salary	160.	—	—
By a Warrant to Hugh Orr Armourer for Ditto	6.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Do	12.	10.	—
By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court and Assembly	22.	—	—
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	43.	10.	2
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	2050.	5.	9

By allowance of ½ p Cᵗ on £ 1293 . 3 . 9 for negotiating the bills of Exchange in London		6 .	3 .	4
By allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Cᵗ on £ 2417 . 19 . 8		120 .	15 .	—
By allowance to the Receiver General on the same sum ...		120 .	15 .	—
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to	£	4502 .	6 .	3
And there will remain due to balance this Accᵗ ...		159 .	13 .	6
	£	4661 .	18 .	9

Rᵈ Corbin D. R. G.

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I have Examined the within Accᵗ of his Majestys Revenue Commencing the 25th of October 1762 and ending the 25th of April 1763 and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher, produced by Richard Corbin Esqr Receiver General and find the Charge thereof amounting to four thousand six hundred sixty one pounds eighteen shillings and nine pence, and the Discharge to four thousand five hundred two pounds five shillings and three pence both truly Stated So that there is due to his Majestys Revenue for balance of this Accᵗ one hundred fifty nine pounds thirteen Shillings and six pence Sterling

John Blair D. Audr

May 5th 1763
The within Accᵗ Compared and Examined by John Blair Esqr Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and sworn to by Richard Corbin Esqr Receiver General

Fran: Fauquier

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re from 25 October 1762/ to 25 of April 1763/ Rᵈ with the Lieut Govr/
Letter of 17 June 1763./ Y. 105.

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[P.S.O.R.]

The Acco.t of his Majesty's Revenue of Quitrents Due from the Executors of Philip Grymes Esq.r late Receiver General, with an Acco.t of Arrears Received since his last Acco.t

The Executors of the said Philip Grymes do Charge themselves with the Balance of the last Acco.t	£	16160.	7. 2

Arrears of Quitrents Received since passing the last Acco.t

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount.
Amelia 1760	50996	£ 50. 19. 11	£ 5. 2. —	£ 45. 17. 11
Augusta 1760	224937	£ 224. 18. 9	£ 22. 9. 10	202. 8. 11
Ditto 1759	77230	£ 77. 4. 7	£ 7. 11. 5	69. 10. 2
Albermarle 1760	156049	£ 156. 1. —	£ 15. 12. 1	140. 8. 11
Accomack 1760	6200	£ 6. 4. —	£ 12. 5	5. 11. 7
Brunswick 1760	169710	£ 169. 14. 2	£ 16. 19. 5	152. 14. 9
Ditto 1759	11934	£ 11. 18. 8	£ 1. 3. 10	10. 14. 10
Ditto 1758	2424	£ 2. 8. 6	£ 4. 10	2. 3. 8
Bedford 1760	165016	£ 165. — 3	£ 16. 10. —	148. 10. 3
Caroline 1760	187261	£ 187. 5. 3	£ 18. 14. 6	168. 10. 9
Ditto 1755	10970	£ 10. 19. 5	£ 1. 1. 11	9. 17. 6
Ditto 1754	10200	£ 10. 4. —	£ 1. — 5	9. 3. 7
Ditto 1752	8544	£ 8. 10. 11	£ 17. 1	7. 13. 10
Charles City ... 1759	49191	£ 49. 3. 10	£ 4. 18. 4	44. 5. 6
Ditto 1758	49191	£ 49. 3. 10	£ 4. 18. 4	44. 5. 6
Cumberland ... 1760	48296	£ 48. 5. 11	£ 4. 16. 7	43. 9. 4
Brunswiddie 1760	28003	£ 28. — —	£ 2. 16. —	25. 4. —
Ditto 1757	52791	£ 52. 15. 10	£ 5. 5. 7	47. 10. 3
Gloucester 1748	6027	£ 6. — 6	£ 12. —	5. 8. 6
Goochland 1760	143589	£ 143. 11. 9	£ 14. 7. 2	129. 4. 7
Hanover 1755	1068	£ 1. 1. 4	£ 2. 1	— 19. 3
Henrico 1760	74443	£ 74. 8. 10	£ 7. 8. 10	67. — —
Hallifax 1760	8300	£ 8. 6. —	£ 16. 7	7. 9. 5
Ditto 1757	1579	£ 1. 11. 7	£ 3. 2	1. 8. 5
James City ... 1760	38281	£ 38. 5. 8	£ 3. 16. 7	34. 9. 1
Isle of Wight .. 1759	15598	£ 15. 11. 11	£ 1. 11. 2	14. — 9
Ditto 1758	6667	£ 6. 13. 4	£ 13. 4	6. — —
Ditto 1757	6667	£ 6. 13. 4	£ 13. 4	6. — —
King William .. 1760	11714 2	£ 117. 2. 10	£ 11. 14. 3	105. 8. 7

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount			
King William	..1759	332	£ ..6..8	£ 8	.....6..—		
Ditto	1758	7596	£ 7..11..11	£ ...15..2	6..16..9		
Ditto	1753	31111	£ 31..2..3	£ 3..2..3	28..—..—		
King & Queen	..1760	188354	£188..7..1	£ 18..16..8	169..10..5		
Ditto	1754	40598	£ 40..11..11	£ 4..1..2	36..10..9		
Louisa	1760	330889	£330..17..9	£ 33..1..9	297..16..—		
Ditto	1759	5718	£ 5..14..4	£ ...11..5	5..2..11		
Ditto	1758	6666	£ 6..13..4	£ ...13..4	6..—..—		
Lunenburgh	...1760	484516	£484..10..4	£ 48..9..—	436..1..4		
Ditto	1759	401520	£401..10..5	£ 40..3..—	361..7..5		
Ditto	1756	140154	£140..3..1	£ 14..—..4	126..2..9		
Ditto	1755	183984	£183..19..8	£ 18..7..11	165..11..9		
Ditto	1754	13124	£ 13..2..6	£ 1..6..3	11..16..3		
Ditto	1753	24265	£ 24..5..4	£ 2..8..6	21..16..10		
Ditto	 1752	50565	£ 50..11..4	£ 5..1..1	45..10..3		
Ditto	1751	61172	£ 61..3..5	£ 6..2..4	55..1..1		
Nansemond	...1760	3828	£ 3..16..7	£ ...7..8	3..8..11		
New Kent	1759	2843	£ 2..16..10	£ ....5..8	2..11..2		
Orange	1760	59707	£ 59..14..2	£ 5..19..5	53..14..9		
Ditto	1759	25683	£ 25..13..8	£ 2..11..4	23..2..4		
Ditto	1754	2508	£ 2..10..2	£ ....5..—	2..5..2		
Ditto	1752	110276	£110..5..6	£ 11..—..6	99..5..—		
Prince George	..1753	2000	£ 2..—..—	£ ...1..—	1..16..—		
Princess Ann	..1760	50210	£ 50..1..2	£ 5..—..5	45..3..9		
Ditto	1759	8098	£ 8..2..—	£ ..16..2	7..5..10		
Surry	1760	114052	£ 114..1..—	£ 1..8..1	12..12..11		
Ditto	1753	12444	£ 1..4..11	£ ....2..6	1..2..5		
Ditto	1752	16608	£ 16..12..2	£ 1..13..2	14..19..—		
Ditto	1751	34670	£ 34..13..4	£ 3..9..4	31..4..—		
Sussex	1760	12700	£ 12..14..—	£ 1..5..4	11..8..8		
Ditto	1756	74255	£ 74..5..1	£ 7..8..6	66..16..7		
Warwick	1760	41762	£ 41..15..3	£ 4..3..6	37..11..9		
York	1760	41899	£ 41..18..—	£ 4..3..10	37..14..2		
Ditto	1759	35339	£ 35..6..10	£ 3..10..8	31..16..2	38 12..	18.. 11
Received of Sundry Persons in several Counties						18..	16..—
						£ 19992..	2..1

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The said Executors do Discharge themselves

By paid to the Honble & Reverend Robert Cholmondeley on his Majestys Warrant one years Allowance ending the 25th of October 1762	£ 150.	--	--
By two Warrants to the Attorney General for one years Salary ending the 25th of October 1762	70.	--	--
By short Payment to the Auditor in the Accot of Quitrents for the Years 1759 & 1760	116.	13.	10
By the same to the Receiver General	116.	13.	10
By Allowance of £20. 16. 8 p Ct on £3831. 14. 11 the Receipt of this Accot to enable the said Executors to remit the same to London by Bills of Exchange	798.	5.	7
By Allowance of ½ p Ct for Negotiating the Bills of Exchange in London	19.	3.	2
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Ct on £3831. 14. 11	191.	11.	9
By Allowance to the Executors on the same Sum	191.	11.	9
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to £	1653.	19.	11
And there will remain due to Balance this Accot	18338.	2.	2.
£	19992.	2.	1

Peyton Randolph

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I have Examined the within Acco^{t} of his Majestys Revenue, and Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Peyton Randolph Esq^{r} one of the Executors of Philip Grymes Esq^{r} late Receiver General and find the Charge thereof amounting to nineteen Thou. sand nine Hundred ninety two Pounds two Shillings and one Penny, and the Discharge to one thousand six Hundred fifty three Pounds nineteen Shillings and eleven Pence both truly Stated, So that there is due to his Majestys Revenue for Balance thereof eighteen Thousand three Hundred thirty eight Pounds two Shillings and two Pence Sterling.

John Blair D. Aud^{r}

Dec^{r} 13th 1762

The within Acco^{t} Compared & Examined by John Blair Esq^{r} Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Peyton Randolph Esq^{r} one of the Executors of Philip Grymes Esq^{r} late Receiver General

Fran: Fauquier

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Endorsed Virginia/ An Account of His/ Majestys Revenue of Quit/ Rents due from the Executors/ of Philip Grymes Esq^{r} late/ Receiver Gen. -eral, with an Acco^{t}/ of Arrears received since his/ last Account./ Rd with the Lieu^{t} Gov^{rs}/ Letter of 17 June 1763/ Y. 106.

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The Accot of his Majesty's Revenue of 2/ ℔ Hogshead v.c Aris-
-ing within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of April
1763 to the 25th of Octr following

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows.			
To Balance of the last Accot ..... £	159.	13.	6
The Accot of the Upper District of James River	1607.	4.	3
The Accot of the Lower District of James River	363.	9.	4
The Accot of the District of York River	969.	9.	—
The Accot of the District of Rappahannock River	949.	17.	—
The Accot of the District of South Potomack	379.	—	—
The Accot of the Port of Accomack	56.	19.	5
The Accot of Sundry Rights of Land sold	210.	14.	—
The Accot of Fines and Forfeitures	604.	13.	8
The Accot of the Port of Accomack from 25d Octr 1758 to 25d March 1760	47.	11.	3
£	5348.	11.	5

The Receiver General doth Discharge himself
By the Payment of the following Sums

By a Warrant for half a years Salary to the Governor	£ 1000.	—	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council ..	600.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robert Cholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a years Salary ...	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr Solicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esqr his Majestys Attor-ney General for Do	35.	—	—
By a Warrant to Nathl Halthoe Esqr Clerk of the Coun-cil for Do:	75.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a years Salary ..	160.	—	—
By a Warrant to Hugh Orr Armourer for Ditto	6.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	12.	10.	—
By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court and Assembly	10.	—	—

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By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House ..	84.	2.	2
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	297.	5.	11
By Allowance of ½ ℘ C^t on £ 4749. 13. 4 for negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	23.	14.	11
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 ℘ C^t on £ 5118. 17. 11 ...	254.	8.	11
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum ...	254.	8.	11
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to ... £	3072.	10.	10
And there will remain due to balance this Acc^t	2246.	—.	7
£	5318.	11.	5

R^d Corbin D. R. G.

[p. 652]

I have Examined the within Acc^t of his Majestys Revenue Commencing the 25th of April 1763 and ending the 25th of October 1763 and have compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esq^r Receiver General; and find the same truly Stated and that there is due from the said Receiver General for balance thereof two thousand two hundred seventy six Pounds and seven Pence Sterling.

John Blair D. Aud^r

Nov^r 5th 1763

The within Acc^t Compared and Examined by John Blair Esq^r Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Richard Corbin Esq^r Receiver General.

John Blair Presid^t

Endorsed Virginia. / Account of his Majesty's / Revenue of 2/ ℘ Hogs-head / from 25 April to 25 Oct^r / 1763. / In the L^t Gov^r / Letter of 9 May 1764 / Read July 23^d 1764 / Y. 132 —

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Wm. burgh May 26th 1765

My Lords/

Agreeable to my Letter of the 27th Decr last, I have the honor to enclose to your Lordships the Ac.count of the patents granted for the last half year ending the 25th april, that day and the 25th Octr which are in the middle of the General Courts, being the usual Times of making up the half yearly Accts of all the pub.lic Offices in this Colony. The list is much less than I have ever known it, tho' the patents made out in the Winter half Year are always far short of those made out in the Summer.

[I have the misfortune to be obliged to inform your Lordships, that several people from Pennsylvania and from our back Settlements, go and seat themselves on Land to the westward of the Alleghenny Mountains, on the Waters of the Ohio, without having any Author.ty for so doing, they having never applyed / or enter.ed for the said Lands, or taken any one Step necessary by the Rules of Government to acquire a title; well knowing that all Application would be vain, and that they could not obtain Grants for the same. This Illegal Conduct will certainly give umbrage to the neighbouring Indians. [p.10]

From a very late Transaction I have Reason to fear that the people on our Frontiers are rather desirous

that we should be at War than in peace with the Indians. The late increase of pay to the Militia on actual Service, is, I apprehend one Cause of their desir-ing to have some Cause to be employed; I have there-fore recommended it to the Members of the Assembly (which is now sitting) to repeal the Clause which gave the Augmentation of pay. The many papers which I en-close under cover with this, will give your Lordships a full and distinct Acct of this tragical Affair and the proceedings had upon it. Not to disguise Matters to your Lordships, I must acknowledge that some of our hot-headed frontier Inhabitants have fallen upon and killd five Cherokee Indians without the least provocation from the Indians. The papers I enclose are,

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/ A Copy of Colonel Lewis's Letter giving me Informa-tion of the Affair

A Copy of his Letter to the Cherokee Chiefs sent immediately after.

A Copy of the Resolutions of the house of Burgesses, to whom I sent down the Letter.

The Proclamation issued by the Advice of the Council.

Copies of my two Letters to Colonel Lewis

A Copy of my Letter to the Cherokee Chiefs.

I do not know of any other Measures I could take to give the Cherokees Satisfaction: except one I pro-pose to take hereafter, if a Jury can be got out of

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their bounty to convict the Offenders; which is, to invite some of the Chiefs to be witnesses of the Execution. I hope the Conduct of the Colony will meet with your Lordships Approbation.

I will send your Lordships the Acts passed since the Adjournment, with the Journals, as soon as I can get them transcribed after the rising of the Assembly which is expected to be on the 1st of June.

I am with great Respect

My Lords Yr Lordships

most Obedt & devoted Servt

Fran. Fauquier

The right Honble the Lords of Trade &c.

[1-12]

Endorsed Virginia/ Ltr from Lt Gov. Fauquier./ to the Board dated 26 May 1765/ containing an/Acct of Murder of Chero-kees:/ & respecting sevl persons/ seating themselves unwar-rantably on the Ohio./ Recd July 27 Read Augt 20 } 1765/ Yz.3/ 8 papers

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Resolved That the killing the Cherokee Indians as is men-
-tioned in a Letter of Col.o Andrew Lewis to his
Honour the Governor which he has been pleased
to lay before this House is a flagrant Violation
of the Treaties of peace established and subsist-
-ing between his Majesty and the said Indians
and of the Laws of this Colony and that the
Offenders ought to be prosecuted with the utmost
Severity

Resolved. That an Address be presented to the Governor
to desire that he will be pleased to offer a
Considerable reward for apprehending the said
Assassins that he will cause the Resolutions of
this House to be transmitted to the Cherokees
and to assure them that every proper step will
be taken to bring the Offenders to Justice

John Randolph C. H. B

[1.6]

Endorsed Virginia/ Copy of the Resolutions/ of the House
of Burgesses/ concerning the murder/ of the five Cherokees/
In the L.t Gov.r Letter/ of 26 May 1765./ Read August 20.th /7.5

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[1.17]

Staunton May the 8th. 1765

To my Brothers the Chiefs of the Cherokees of the Over Hill Towns.

Brothers I am heartily sorry that I should have so Melancholy a Subject to write you on, as the death of some of your Warriors in our Country. I shall give you a just Account of the Affair such as you may de-pend on and what you shall in time find to be no-thing but the Truth, and what will be acknowledged by those of your people, that may reach your Country that has made their escape from this unhappy Affair. On the fifth of this Instant Necoknowa Choconantee and the Pipe with seven other of your men came to the Town of Staunton where I ordered them Provisions to refresh themselves, after they had slept two nights, on their signi-fying a desire of going to Winchester, I had them pro-vided with proper Colours and a Pass fastned on the Colours, in order to let every Body know they were our Brothers the Cherokees and to use them well and to allow them to pass; on which they set off and march-ed about five Miles and lodged in a Barn at the Plantation of one John Andersons, the next morning a party of our young men, and I am heartily sorry I have it to say, very bad ones without my knowledge or the knowledge of any of our Warriors fell upon them, as they say they took them to be Shawnees,

and has killed five of them. I no sooner heard this bad News, which grieved me to the heart, but I with some other Warriors went to the place, and found to my great Mortification the Bodies of the five Nockonowe and the Pipe with whom I was well acquainted, (two of them) the other five I could not find and am heartily sorry that those that made their escape did not come to Staunton where they would have found me, that I might have provided properly for them and sent them safe home. Before I came home from the place where I saw my poor dead Brothers, I took two of our men that had a hand in the Murder and has put them in the Strong House, and shall not be at peace [1.m] in my mind before I have all the /others taken that they suffer death for the bloody Crime. I have just sent a Letter to our Governor to let him know what has happened, and I am well assured that he will do every thing in his power in Order to give you the most compleat satisfaction by bringing the Guilty to punishment and making you fully sensible that he and all his Warriors abhor the spilling of blood in so detestable a manner, and that it is our full and sincere desire to hold fast the Chain of Friendship and to brighten it from all stains, as often as it shall by any bad people be made spotted

Thus my Brothers I have given you the Truth

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and what you will find hereafter to be nothing but the Truth that you may quiet your young men and keep them from taking satisfaction at their own hand or kindling a War that must make the Innocent suffer for the Guilty

I am

Brothers

Your Friend

And^{a} Lewis

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Augusta County May the 9th 1765

Honble Sir,

Yesterday a very unhappy affair was Trans-
-acted near Staunton, which may if not timely Guarded
against prove very fatal to this Colony; on the fifth
of this Instant a party of Cherokees came from our
Frontiers to Staunton, some of them I was perfectly ac-
-quainted with, they gave me to understand that they
were designed for Winchester, and would be glad of a
pass as they were from thence to go to War against
the Ohio Indians, and was to meet some other Warriors
beyond Fort Cumberland, the want of an Interpreter pre-
-vented my making them sensible that their travelling
thro' our Country even with a pass where they might
not be known would be attended with danger on
their part, however on finding them determined to go
after they had refreshed themselves two Nights they
were provided with proper Colours and a Pass. there
was ten in number, their two principal mens names
was Nocoknowa and Choconantee, they marched about
five Miles and lodged in an out House on the Plan-
-tation of one John Andersons, yesterday morning as
soon as it was light a party of Villainous bloody
minded Rascals notwithstanding they knew they were
Cherokees and had a pass, attacked them in the most
treacherous manner killed their Chief and four more

on the spot and wounded two more, the five poor
Creatures that made their escape has taken the Woods
and will undoubtedly reach their nation as quick as
possible they can or at least some of them will get
home. In order to quiat the Chiefs of the Cherokees
and if possible to restrain the whole Nation from tak-
-ing satisfaction at their own hands, I have wrote to
the Chiefs of the Over hill Towns from whence
this party came, and has sent it to the hand of Col:
Chiswell desiring him to find means of sending it as
quick as possible. In my Letter to their Chiefs I have
[f.22] endeavoured to pursuade them that your/Honour will
undoubtedly take every just means to give them
satisfaction by ordering the Murderers to be apprehend-
-ed and put to death, and desire them to take no
rash steps as they may be assured your Honour
will loose no time in Writing to them by Express

From what I can learn the number of the
Villains that committed this murder is between 20 & 30
the names of the two Ringleaders is William Cuninghame
and John King, one of the party was wounded by an
Arrow to wit, James Glendening he was taken and
afterwards rescued by the others before he reached
the Goal; no doubt but it will be your Honours plea-
-sure that those fellows may be brought to Justice and
will send me Instructions what steps to take with

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Warrants Signed by your Hon^r. I nclosed you have a Copy of the Letter I sent to the Chiefs of the over hill Towns.

I am

Your Hon^r. most Obed^t.

& very hum: Serv^t.

And^w Lewis

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Endorsed Virginia. / Copy of a Letter from / Colonel Andrew Lewis to / L^t. Governor Fauquier, / dated May 9. 1765, giving an / account of some of the / frontier Inhabitants having / killed five Cherokee / Indians / In the L^t. Gov^rs Letter / of 26 May 1765. / Read August 20^d. / Z. 7. 3.

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[1.25]

Williamsburg May 11th. 1765

Sir,

Your Messenger which brought your Letters con-
-taining the melancholy Account of the Barbarous Attack
on the Cherokee Indians arrived here yesterday. Imme-
-diately laid them before the Council and the House
of Burgesses who were then sitting. You can better
conceive than I discribe the Shock they received at the
News, and the abhorrence and detestation they expressed
of so inhuman an Action. They dread bad Consequen-
-ces, and have taken all possible Measures in their
power to avert them. If this is the Conduct of your
young men, with what face can they complain of
Indians, who are worse than Indians themselves? can
they produce greater Instances of Brutality and perfidy
among the most barabous Nations? Yet I immagine if
any Indians should appear on our Frontiers, they would
be among the first to call for protection, and by Mili-
-tia Accounts put this Colony to the Expence of twenty
or thirty thousand pounds to defend them. I would
ask themselves whether they deserve protection? and if
they should hereafter be left to fight their own Quar-
-rels with the Indians without the lower parts of the
Colony interfering in their disputes they have no one
to blame but themselves. I wish your Bounty were
made sensible of the risque they run of loseing their

property if not their lives by following or permitting these atrocious practices. But it is time to quit the disagreeable part of this Affair, and see what is to be done to stop the impending dangers which threaten us. The prudent Measures you have already taken, meet with an universal Approbation, and you are hereby required to use your utmost endeavors yourself and spirit up all the other Magistrates to use theirs, to apprehend the rest of these Villains, and when an examining Court (as the Law di-
-rects) has been held upon them, to raise and Arm as many men as you can safely depend upon, and as are necessary to escorte them down to this Goal to prevent
[p.26] a Resque. By the proclamations I have sent you up (which you must disperse) and by the Resolve of the House of Burgesses you see how much the Country is in earnest to apprehend these cruel and I may add cowardly Murderers. I have sent for Abraham Smith whom I design to send Express into the Cherokee Country with a Letter to their Chiefs and several of the Proclamations to convince them if possible that I am taking every step to bring the Criminals to Justice and to give them satisfaction. God grant the endeavors of myself and the Body of the Country may have the desired good effect. I further desire you will speak to Mr. Silas Hart the present high Sherif, and let him know that it is my earnest desire that he would himself impannel a Jury

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to try these Criminals out of the Gentlemen of the County which are most distinguished by their property. knowledge Impartiality and Integrity: and not leave it to the under Sherif who may probably Summon ignorant men who have little or no property to lose, and of course have less reason to dread, as they have less ability to foresee Consequences. I have only to add that I have nothing more to wish for from you, than the Continuance of that Zeal which you have exerted on this Occasion, and for which I am much obliged to you.

I am Your Hble Servt

Fran: Fauquier

To Andrew Lewis Esqr

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Williamsburg May 14th 1765

Sir,

As I have no Objection to having the Co.. .tents of my other Letter generally known in the Coun. .try, I take this method of informing you of something which you are to keep secret, as its being known will entirely defeat the Intention. When the Criminals are Ordered to be sent down for Tryal, let it be given out that they are to set out on a certain day, and some time in the Night about 30 hours before that time, (that they may get a good start) have all things properly prepaired and remove them. I leave the manner to your Management and those you think safe to trust

I am Your Hble Servt

Fran: Fauquier

To Andrew Lewis Esqr.

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My Dear Friends and Brothers,

I have melancholy news to tell you, which grieves me to the heart, having the same concern for what happens to my Brothers the Cherokees, as for the white men under my Government, I have been informed by one of my great Captains, Colonel Andrew Lewis whom many of you know; that ten of your Nation after be-ing kindly entertained by him as Brothers for two Nights, were most barbarously set upon by a much larger number of our young men, who contrary to the Laws of this Country, and the treaties of friendship subsisting between us have killed five of your people. Col: Lewis tells me he has already sent a Messenger into your Towns to inform you of this dismal Affair. He has already taken two of the Murderers, and is endeavour-ing to take the rest. When his Letters came to me, our Assembly of wise men were sitting, who shew their abhorrence and detestation of this Action by the Resolu-tions they came to, and the Proclamation they desired me to issue, Copies of which I herewith send you, that you may see what part this Country takes in your Cause. The great Rewards offered in the Proclamation will, I hope, be a means of taking the rest of the Criminals at least many of them. It is the Command of the great King George, and it is my sincere wish and desire, that we should live in perpetual friendship with our Brothers

the Cherokees. And when you cooly consider the steps I have taken in this Affair I hope you will be fully convinced that it has been owing to the Ardor of some hot headed inconsiderate young men, whom yourselves own you cannot sometimes restrain from mischief, and not to any countenance or encouragement given them by me or any body in Authority under me. Your people were kindly entertained by my great Warrior Col° Lewis. He gave them a Pass and Colours to march through the Country as Brothers[1 m] and friends. When he was informed of the murders he went to bewail his Beloved Brothers He apprehended two of the Criminals. He was the first to give you information of this unhappy affair. We have taken the fault wholy on ourselves and have not charged the Cherokees with any share in it. I have issued a Proclamation offering great Rewards for taking the rest of the Offenders, being willing to give my Brothers all the Satisfaction in my power. Are not these the Actions of Friends whose desire to live in Peace? and I hereby promise to do you the strictest Justice on the Offenders in the same manner exactly as if they had killed white men.

Having in this open, candid and friendly manner set the whole affair before you, without concealing or disguising any part of the Truth, I hope the cool wise men of your Nation will act in the same manner, and

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restrain their young men from taking any Revenge, till future Events convince them of the sincerity of our In-tentions to do them Justice and give them full satisfac-tion for the Injuries done you. I hope you will take pains to keep the path clean between our people and your Nation that Messengers may pass freely and safe-ly between us, that we may jointly use our Endeavors to prevent an Effusion of blood between brothers. I shall send two Copies of this Letter by different Messengers into your Nation being desirous you should receive one as soon as possible to convince you of my good Intentions to you, who has never yet deceived you

I shall now take my leave of you with wishing that the Chain may be held fast by us both, and kept bright as long as the Sun shall shine, or the Rivers run

Given under my hand and Seal the sixteenth day of May One thousand seven hundred and sixty five.

To the Chiefs of the upper Towns of the Cherokee Nation

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Endorsed Virginia/ Copy of Lieut Governor/ Fauquier's Letter to the/ Cherokee Chiefs. dated/ May 16. 1765/ In Lt Govr Letter of/ 26 May 1765./ Read August 20 / 2. 10.

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VIRGINIA &c.

[1737]

By the Hon. FRANCIS FAUQUIER, Esq;
his Majesty's Lieutenant-Governour, and Commander
in Chief of the said Colony and Dominion:

A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas a Party of Cherokees arrived at Staunton in Augusta, and intended to proceed from thence to Winchester, having obtained a Pass from Colonel Lewis for that Purpose, were on their Way thither attacked by upwards of twenty Men, and their Chief, and four more of the said Indians killed, and two others of them wounded, in Violation of the Treaties subsisting between that Nation and us: That such Villainies may not escape with Impunity, and that the Honour of the Country may be vindicated and maintained, by inflicting the severest Punishment on such atrocious Violators of the Laws, I have thought proper, by and with the Advice of his Majesty's Coun-cil, to issue out this Proclamation in his Majesty's Name, hereby promising a Reward of One Hundred Pounds for the apprehending and securing each of any two who shall be proved principal Promoters and Ringleaders in the said Murders, and Fifty Pounds for every one of the others who was aiding and assist-ing therein; and I do further offer a Pardon to any

Person concerned in the same, and not an actual Perpetrator of Murder, who shall make a full Discovery of the principal Actors therein, so that they may be brought to Justice.

Given under my Hand at Williamsburg, this 13th Day of May, 1765. and in the 5th Year of his Majesty's Reign.

Francis Fauquier.

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Endorsed [illegible] / concerned in the murder of/ the 5 Indians, dated May / 13. 1765 / In Lt. Govrs Letter of / 26 May 1765 / Read August 20 - / L. 11

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[Here are duplicates in C O 5:43 ... slightly better copies]

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Wmsburgh June 14th. 1765

My Lords/

I have the disagreeable Task to transmit to your right honble Board, more papers relating to the Conduct of our Frontier Inhabitants in the County of Augusta; which are of a more dangerous Tendency than those I had the honor to send to your Lordships a few days since As we have not strength in our hands to enforce Obedience to the Laws. For this Reason it was the Opinion of the Coun-cil, that as things are at present circumstanced, it was wiser and Safer to persue prudent rather than vigorous Measures. I am informed that the Paxton Boys of pennsylvania have sent a Message to our people that if they are not strong enough to res-cue any of their party who may be apprehend-ed, they will come to their assistance, for they say no man shall suffer for the murder of a [p. 40] Savage. Upon the whole, my Lords/ Things have a very gloomy Appearance at present, God grant that I may have it in my power to send your Lordships better news hereafter

I am with the greatest Respect/My Lords

Yr. Lordships/most Obedt. and/devoted Servt.

Fran: Fauquier

To the right honble the Lords of Trade &c.

[p.42]

Endorsed Virginia/ Letter from Francis/ Fauquier Esq.
Lieut. Govr./ of Virginia, to the/ Bd. dated June 14. 1765/ con-
taining an. acct of/ some riotous insurrections/ & proceed-
ings on the/ frontiers of this Colony/ in opposition to
the Laws/ & authority of Govt in the/ case of the persons
committed for the murder/ of the Cherokees. & inclosing/ ...

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[p.4a]

Augusta County June ye 3d 1765

Sir/

In my last Letter to your honor I mention.
.ed the taking of James blendening and Patrick
Duffy two of the Murderers of the Cherokees, blen.
.dening was resqued before he reached the Prison.
Duffy was in prison three Nights on the 4th a num.
.ber (as is believed by the Goaler and some others)
not less than one hundred Armed men posted them.
.selves round the prison. some of them entered the
House of the Goaler and demanded the key of the
prison, it being refused them they after useing
some Violence and many threats, with Axes broke
the prison Door and carried of the said Duffy.
declaring at the same time that they had most
of the County to back them, and that they would
never suffer a man to be Confined or brought to
Justice for killing of Savages.

Since I received your Honors Letter with the
Proclamations Mr Jones who is Kings Attorney, and I,
had the Depositions of several persons taken in or.
.der to discover the Murderers, by which it appears
that William Cuninghame & John King was the Ring.
.leaders, that William Young, James Clendening
Alexander Robertson, Patrick Duffy, Charles Baskins
Hugh Baskins and William Anderson were of the

number that committed the Murder; upon which War-
-rants were made out and put in the hands of
the Sheriffs for apprehending them. but none of them
is yet taken. The Goaler being sworn declared that
he knew but two of the men that broke the Prison,
there is Warrants out for the apprehending them.
From what has happened and from what I am
able to judge of the number and disposition of the
Banditti it will be impossible if any of the Murder-
-ers be taken) to confine them in this County. nor is
it likely that they can be brought to Justice by the
Ordinary Methods of Law, for unless the persons that
might take them, were enabled to carry them down
to Williamsburg as soon as apprehended by some Au-
-thority from your honour, they will undoubtedly be
[p.444]
Resqued. / Near the place where the Murder was committed
is found dead another of the Cherokees, from what
I can learn it is the young fellow called Choconante
son of the Standing Turke who was for some time
Chief of the Cherokee Nation. Every thinking person
especially those that are most exposed to the Depredations
of the Cherokees, dread the Consequences of this un-
-happy Affair, as it is too likely the injured Cherokees
will look for satisfaction in their own way, and with
what face we plead with the Government for Assist-
-ance when an Act of our own (and I am sorry I have

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it to say, so generally approved of amongst us) should be the cause of all the distresses that may befall us. However in justice to the people that live on our frontiers I must say they had no hand in it; when they first discovered the Indians they collected some Armed men who went to the Indians and on their finding them to be by all likelyhood Cherokees, they not only suffered them to pass to Staunton, but sent from place to place a white man with them.

Some days after the Murder was committed a poor unhappy blind man and his Wife was killed by two of the Indians that made their Escape, this indeed is no more than what I expected that they would leave behind them a mark of resentment.

I am Your honors most Obed.
and very humble Servt.
And.w Lewis

Endorsed Virginia/ Copy of a Letter from/ Col. Lewis to [p.46]
L. Govr./ Fauquier dated June 3.d/ Read August 20./ L. 13.

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Hbg. burgh Augt. 1st. 1765

My Lords

⌈Since my Letter of the 11th. of June to your right honorable Board, the little Carpenter has been down here; sent by his Nation to see what Justice the Gov.-ernment here were disposed to give them for some of their people who had been murdered by some white men in Augusta. On his Arrival I summoned every Member of the Council now resident in the Colony. They most of them attended as your Lordst. will observe by the Minutes of that meeting which I have enclosed, and which will give your Lordships full information of our proceedings in this delicate affair, in which much Mis.-chief was to be feared as the Consequence of the mis.-conduct of the Augusta men. The Carpenter seemed pretty well satisfyed with the Assurances given him, that Gov.-ernment would most certainly do them Justice whenever it should find an Opportunity. He was fully convinced that the Offenders were by no means supported by Au.-thority, had presents for himself and his/party, and some to carry up to comfort the Relations and friends [148] of the deceased; and at his Desire I wrote to Sir William Johnson to recommend it to him if possible to make peace between them and the Shawanese. with all these tokens of friendship he took his Leave of me as of a friend and brother and gave me a String

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of White Beads as a Mark thereof. He seemed to feel the Weight of an Argument I made use of in a pri-vate Conference at my own house, viz. that in order to support Government and my own Authority in the Colony, I was as solicitous to bring these offenders to Justice as any Cherokee in their Nation could be.

About ten Days after the Departure of the little Carpenter I received Information, that forty pickd men of Augusta were set out with a declared Intention to cutt off the Carpenter and his party on their road home and destroy the presents they had received. As this admitted of no Delay I summoned those Gentle-men of the Council as were near at hand, the Minutes of that days proceedings are also inclosed for your Lordships Information. The Motion for raising some Militia to escort them was overruled because it must take up some time and the Carpenter was obliged to be at home by a certain Time appointed him by the [new] / Chiefs of his Nation, which, if he failed to do, they wd suspect he also was murdered, and fatal Conse-quences might ensue. Besides, He could not tell on whom to rely, the populace of all the upper Coun-ties being so inveterate to all Indians friends or foes, and desirous (I fear) of an Indian War. If the party should be attacked and the Escort not do their Duty, it would inevitably bring on a general

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national Rupture, and if they should, it would be setting one part of the Colony to cut the throats of the other, and sow the seeds of Discord which might bring on a kind of civil War. Upon these prudential Considerations, I hope your Lordship will be of opinion, that we have, in the whole Course of our proceedings, done everything in our power to prevent Bloodshed, and thereby followed the humane Sentiments of his Majesty and his Ministers dictated to me to be the Rule of my Con-duct in my Transactions with Indians.]

[I am now to beg the Favor of your Lord-ships to intercede with his Majesty to pardon two persons condemned for Murder. One named Francis Kennedy was tried at a Court of Oyer and Termi-ner in which I do not sit, but he was recom-mended to me for Mercy by the unanimous Voice of the Court. The Case inclosed I had from the Clerk of the Court. /The other is the Case of an [p. 50] Indian Woman named Abigail Briggs tried at the general Court before me and the Council. On the Tryal it appeared that the prisoner and the Deceased a Negro, were fellow Servants in the same House, that they were in the Kitchen no one else being present. That a Quarrel ensued and blows given, that the Mistress alarmed with the Noise and the blows went

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down Stairs, and saw the Negro Man lying dead, knock-
ed on the head with the pistle of a Mortar which was
of Wood: which the prisoner acknowledged and said
she took it up as the first thing she could lay her
hands on. to defend herself against the Assaults of her
fellow Servant. The Negro was old, the Kitchen of Stone,
and it was not clear whether the Skull was fractured
by the blow or the fall. He had the Character of being
quarrelsome she of being a quiet woman. She had been
held over from the preceeding Court, her Mistress then
not caring to appear against her. Upon the whole my
Lords I am fully perswaded, that had she been a White
woman the Jury would have altered their Verdict to
that of Manslaughter. The Gentlemen on the Bench with
me were of my Opinion.]

I am with the greatest Respect My Lords

Yr. Lordships / most Obedt. & devot. Servt.

Fran: Fauquier

To the right Honble the Lords of Trade &c.

[1768]

Endorsed Letter from Fras. Fauquier / Esqr. Lt. Govr. of Vir-
-ginia, / to the Board, dated August / 1. 1765 relative to the /
Proceedings with the Cherokee / Chief respecting the Mur-
-der / of sevl. of that Nation, & / to two Persons condemned
for / Murder & recommended by / the said Lt. Govr. for Pardon /
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[Pp.52-55]

[Here are Minutes of the Council of Virginia held 16 July 1765 (2 pages) on the communicating of a letter from Alexander Cameron Superintendant of Indian Affairs. Also 29 July (1 page) on communicating of a letter from Col° Archibald Cary]

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Endorsed Virginia/ Copy of the Minutes of / Council of July 16 & 29. 1765/ I n L: Gov^r Letter/ of 1 August 1765/ Read Sept^r 24. / L. 20.

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[1.07]

Augusta County June yr. 5th 1765

Sir

Since my Letter to your Honor dated the 3d of this Month by Mr. M. Clanachan, was found set up at a public place, a Proclamation, a Copy of which I now inclose. I have made all the inquiry in my power in order to find the Authors of it, and has been told by persons who is not unacquainted with the Sentiment of the Murderers and their Abettors, that not more than one or two of the persons that committed the Murder was privy to the setting up this Libel as proclamation, and that the others all disapprove of it, I am likewise told and I hope I shall be able in time to prove that Peter Hog who was once a Capt: in the Virginia Regiment and who was by the Ju. diciouness of Governor Dinwiddie discarded and who now practices the Law in this County, Frederick and Hampshire, is the person who wrote the proclamation for the one, or two Villains that applied to him: if this affair can be fixed on him, I hope your Honor will take such Measures as may for the future put it out of his power to practice in any King's Court, a man that will for the sake of perhaps 15/- in an underhanded manner, join the Banditti in Mockery and Disrespect to your Honor's proclamation and for the sake of making himself popular

amongst the Disaffected with a view to increase the number of his Clients, such person I say ought not to pass unpunished. A very uncommon and strange step, under the pretence of regular proceed-ing. has been lately taken in this place, & I think it is not unlikely that Peter Hog has had some hand in it, about eight or ten days after the Chero-kees was Murdered a Majestrate took the Depositions of several persons in Order to find out whether the persons Murdered was Enemys or Friends: some of the Murderers was permitted to swear, in particular [illegible]
Patrick Duffy, who had before this time been com-mitted and taken out of the Goal by the Mob, this I think is a method of Law I am not in the least acquainted with, to first kill and then make inquiry who they are, as to the particulars of what is sworn in order to Justify the murder I am a Stranger to, however when the Indians came first to Stanton; these people were present and on hear-ing some of them say, who had been some time with the Ohio Indians, that they thought they had seen one or two of them among the Ohio Indians, I examined them, and found that they could not make out any thing like a proof that they were other than Cherokees, for my part I am well as-sured they were all Cherokees, and that we shall

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find by the first Message we have from the Nation. I have great hopes our rash and inconsiderate peo. -ple who have had a hand in Resquing the Pri. -soners and opposing the Laws will in a short time see their folly and so far Regard their own Interest and that of their unhappy Neighbours, as to desist for the future from such practices.— poor blinded Creatures who has not Considered that in Consequence of what they have done, our Frontier Inhabitants, who is Inocent of the Crime may be cut to pieces by a Nation of Indians who otherwise would have lived in Amity with us.

I am.

Your Honors most Obed.t

and very humble Serv.t

And.w Lewis

[1760]

Endorsed Virginia/ Copy of a Letter f.rom/ Col: Lewis to Lt. Gov.r / Fauquier dated June 5.th / Read August 20. 1765/ L. 114.

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Augusta Cs. [f.61]

A Proclamation

We Augusta Boys in heart are and do profess ourselves his present Majesty's (King George the third) true and leige Subjects, and unhappy we living on this Verge of his Majesty's Dominion have by the un-paraled deceit of an Insidious and Cruel Heathen Enemy been repeatedly distressed, and find it Im-practicable to maintain the legal Rights granted us by his Majesty and think it expedient to act in the Offensive when any of those our known Enemies presumes under the pretence of Friends (without a War-rantable pass) to pass among us. And as there was a party of Indians to the number of ten which lately travelled into our Territories some of which was known and proven to be of the Shawnee and Delaware Nations and a few of them en-deavoured (as we suppose) to shade their specious de-signs, under the appellation of their being our Friends, Viz. the Cherokees; and as the said Indians obtained a pass from Colo Lewis for reasons we sup-pose only known to himself, it appears and is ap-parent to us that he the said Colo Lewis is not attached in heart to his present Majesty or his leige Subjects.

We therefore out of our sincere love to our

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Sovereign and his Interest and our Candid love to Justice do promise a reward of One thousand pounds for the taking of the said Col: Lewis that he may be brought to Justice, and for Doct: William Fleming and Capt: William Crow of Staunton five hundred pounds each, as deemed by us Dupes and Parasites in said Case, and We do further Offer a Pardon to Lieut: Michael Thomas and Luke Bowyer if they, each for himself provide a string of Beeds &c that they may live as formerly without depending alone on the smiles of Col: Lewis, otherwise let them Instantly repair out of our Sovereign's Dominions to that of their desired French King

Our hearts are true unto our King
And means all Rebels down to bring

[Mb]
Endorsed Virginia/ Copy of the Proclamation/ mentioned by Col. Lewis/ in his Letter of the 5 of/ June./ Read August 20/ L. 15

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[p.65]

Williamsburg June 11th. 1765

Sir,

I laid your Letters of the 3d. & 5th. instant before the Council Yesterday who desired I would thank you for your Activity on this melancholy occasion. The Defiance of the Government shewn by the Inhabitants of Augusta is if possible worse than the inhumane Murder committed on the defenceless Indians. I hope you will always have an Eye on the Offenders that they may be brought to Justice when a proper Oppor.-tunity Offers. tho' perhaps it may not be advisable to push matters to extremities during the present heat. a little patience and waiting to see the Effects of the proclamation, and the Answer of the Cherokees may possibly bring us to the end we wish for at last; which is to shew our love of Justice, and Impartial Conduct between our own people and the Indians. Tho' I now recommend this method, you will find we by no means intend to relax the Reins of Govern.-ment as will appear by an Order for a Proclamation to issue, to offer a Reward of £100 on the Conviction of any one concerned in the forcibly breaking the Goal to rescue Patrick Duffy. I recommend it to you to go cooly and quietly about this Work but to do the business if possible. In order to strengthen your Interest on the Bench, for which it is my earnest

desire you would qualify. We have put Mr. Alexander Boyd and Mr. David Robinson in the new Commission of the Peace to be issued for your County, tho these Gent: were not recommended in the usual manner by the Court, because we thought they would be proper persons to assist you in the point now before us. If any of these Miscreants should be at any time brought before an Examining Court and the Magis-trates should not do their duty to their King and their Country on so interesting a point it will be Cause to look out for better.

I am

Your humble Servt.

To Andrew Lewis Esqr.

[1.65]
Endorsed Virginia | Copy of Lt. Gov. Fauquiers | Letter to Col. And. Lewis | dated June 11th. | Read August 20. | L. 16.

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[1.69]

Wm.burgh June 5th. 1765

My Lords/

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. . [On Saturday the first instant, I dissolved the Assembly, after passing all the Bills except one which were ready for my Assent. The four Resolutions which I have now the honor to enclose to your Lord. .ships, will shew your Lordships the Reason of my Conduct, and I hope, justify it. I will relate the whole proceeding to your Lordtps in as concise a manner as I am able.

On Wednesday the 29th of May just at the end of the Session, when most of the Members had left the town, there being but 39 present out of 116 of which the house of Burgesses now consists, a motion was made to take into Consideration the Stamp Act, a Copy of which had crept into the house, and in a Committee of the whole house. five Resolutions were proposed and agreed to all by very small majorities. On Thursday the 30th they were reported and agreed to by the House [1.70] the numbers being as before/in the Committee, the great. .est majority being 22 to 17. for the 5th Resolution 20 to 19 only. On Friday the 31st there having happened a small Alteration in the house, there was an Attempt to strike all the Resolutions off the Journals. the 5th which was thought the most offensive was accordingly struck off, but it did not succeed as to the other four. I am

informed the Gentlemen had two more resolutions in their pocket, but finding the difficulty they had in carrying the 5th which was by a single Voice, and knowing them to be more virulent and inflammatory, they did not produce them. The most strenuous opposers of this rash heat, were the late Speaker, the Kings Attorney, and Mr. Wythe. but they were over-powerd by the Young, hot and Giddy Members. In the Course of the debates I have heard that very indecent Language was used by a Mr. Henry a young Lawyer, who had not been a Month a Member of the House; who carry-ed all the young Members with him, so that I hope I am authorised in saying, there is cause at least to doubt whether this would have been the Sense of the Colony, if most of their Representatives had done their Duty by attending to the end of the Session.] Ex

[1.7] /The Bill I refused, was the Cattle Bill, a Copy of which I sent to your right hon.ble Board on the Ad-journment in December, to know whether his Majesty would give me leave to pass it; which was now presented to me in Form with the other Bills.

In this Session an Act was passed to establish a regular Trade with the Cherokee Indians, a Measure more likely to keep them in good humor than all the Steps we had before taken, of which your Lord-ships have a full Acct. in my other Letter by this

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conveyance. I have yet had no fresh News from Aw.
=gusta relating to the perpetrators of that horrid
Villany.

If Mr. Robinson should be again chosen Speak.
.er in the next Assembly. I hope your Lordships will
agree with me, that it will be good Policy as well as
strict Justice to a Gentleman, who has always assisted
me in carrying on the Kings Service, to pass the
Act to appoint him Treasurer, as I am confident the
Burgesses will always appoint their own Speaker to
that office. And as there is, with me, a great doubt
whether the Elections in the new Assembly to be called,
will fall on cool reasonable Men and consequently
a Doubt whether Mr. Robinson will be rechosen Speak.
.er, I should be glad to know your Lordships Senti.
.ments, whether I should agree to / the appointment [1.72]
of any Gentleman to be Treasurer who shall be
chosen Speaker, whether I should refuse all indis.
.criminately, or shew this Favor to Mr. Robinson, par.
.ticularly who has deserved so well.

I am with the greatest Regard

My Lords

Your Lordships

most Obedt. and / devoted Servt.

Fran: Fauquier

To the right hon^ble the Lords of Trade &c^a

[P.74]

Endorsed <u>Virginia.</u>/ Letter from Fras. Fauquier / Esqr., Lt. Govr. of Virginia,/ to the Board, dated June 5./1765, relative to the Laws/ lately passed, - the resolutions of the Assembly on/ the Stamp Act; - his refusal/ of the Cattle Bill. Trade/ with the Cherokees; - and his/ recommendation of Mr. Robinson,/ in case he should be chosen/ Speaker of the new Assembly,/ to be appointed Treasurer.

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[1.75]

Resolved. That the first Adventurers and Settlers of this his Majesty's Colony and Dominion of Virginia brought with them and transmitted to their pos. .terity and all other his Majesty's Subjects since inhabiting in this his Majesty's said Colony All the Liberties, Privileges Franchises and Immunities that have at any time been held, enjoyed and possessed by the people of Great Britain

Resolved. That by two Royal Charters granted by King James the first the Colonies aforesaid are declared intitled to all Liberties Privileges and Immunities of Denizens and natural Subjects to all Intents and purposes as if they had been abiding and born within the Realm of England.

Resolved. That the Taxation of the People by themselves or by Persons chosen by themselves to represent them, who can only know what Taxes the people are able to bear or the easiest method of raising them, and must themselves be affected by every Tax laid on the people, is the only Security against a burthensome Taxation, and the distinguishing Characteristic of British Freedom, without which the antient Constitution cannot exist.

Resolved. That his Majesty's liege People of this his most antient and Loyal Colony have without In. .terruption enjoyed the inestimable Right of being

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Governed by such Laws respecting their internal Polity and Taxation as are derived from their own Consent with the approbation of their Sovereign or his Substitutes, and that the same hath never been forfeited or yielded up, but hath been constantly recognized by the Kings and People of Great Britain.

John Randolph C. A. B.

[1-76]

Endorsed Virginia/ Resolutions of House of Burgesses/ in Virginia relative to/ the Privileges of the People/ of that Colony./ In Lt. Govr Letter/ of June 5. 1765./ Read August 20/ L. 18.

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[f.83]

At the Council Chamber Whitehall
the 3d. Day of October 1765
By the Right Honourable the Lords of the
Committee of Council for Plantation Affairs.

seal impressed on paper over wafer.

Whereas his Majesty was pleased to referr unto this Committee two Representations from the Lords Commission-ers for Trade and Plantations with several Papers there-to annexed — The Lords of the Committee this Day took the same into their Consideration, whereby it appears, amongst other things, that a Party of Indians consist-ing of ten of the Cherokee Nation, one of the most powerful Tribes in the Southern District, and with whom a Treaty of Peace and Alliance had been lately Enter-ed into, Travelling through Augusta County and pro-vided with proper Colours and a Pass from Colonel Andrew Lewis, were, without any Provocation in the most treacherous manner, Attacked by a number of the Frontier Inhabitants, their Chief with four more Massacred on the Spot, and two of the Surviving five, who made their Escape to the Woods, Wounded; That one of the Perpetrators of this Barbarity being Wounded by an Arrow was taken, but rescued by his Associates be-fore he reached the Goal; another being lodged in Prison was forcibly released from thence by a Party of at least One hundred Men; and a Proclamation of a most insolent

"and factious tendency Publickly set up by the
"Abettors of this Transaction in mockery and
"derision of a Proclamation issued by the
"Lieutenant Governor for the Discovery and Ap-
"-prehension of the Offenders[+] and that these
"People have been encouraged by a promise of
"support from a number of Inhabitants of Pen-
"-sylvania adopting the same Principles and
"of like evil disposition with themselves; That
"the Cherokee Nation had deputed the little
"Carpenter and a Party to Virginia to see
"what Justice the Government of Virginia were
"disposed to give them on Account of the
"abovementioned Murder; That about ten Days
[f.5v] "after the Departure of the Little Carpenter, the
"Lieutenant Governor of Virginia received In-
"-formation, that forty picket Men, well armed
"from Augusta were set out with a Declared
"intention to cutt off the Little Carpenter and
"his Party on their Road home, and destroy
"the Presents they had Received at Williams-
"-burgh; That the Lieutenant Governor had sum-
"-moned the Council thereupon and that a
"Motion being made for raising the Militia
"to Escort the Indians home was for several
"reasons therein mentioned overruled; And the

[+] That the perpetrators of these outrages have adopted an Opinion, & declare it to be principle on which they Act, that the killing a Savage is an Act for which a man ought to suffer.

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Lords of the Committee, being of Opinion that some directions should be given to enable the Governor to resist any Measures that may be taken by such Of-fenders, are hereby pleased to Order, that the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations do prepare and lay before this Committee a Draught of an Additional Instruction for the Governor or Commander in Chief of his Majestys Colony of Virginia, strictly enjoyning and requiring him Vigorously to Repress for the future by Military Power, or otherwise, as occasion may require, any such Outrages and Disturbances; and to make Ap-plication, from time to time, in case he shall judge the same necessary and expedient, to the Commander in Chief of his Majestys Forces in North America, for such a number of Troops as may be necessary and sufficient for such purpose, who will receive his Ma-jestys Orders to furnish the same accordingly.

Robert Walpole

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Endorsed Virginia/Order of the Lords of the/Committee of Council for/Plantation Affairs, dated/Octr. 3. 1765, requiring the/Board to prepare and lay/before them a Draught/of an additional Instruction/to the Govr. of Virginia/to repress any such Outrages/as have lately been committed there; and to apply/if he shall find it necessary/for Troops to the Commander in chief of his/Majestys Forces in America./Recd. Read Octr. 8. } 1765./ L. 23.

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Hbg. Decr. 15th. 1764

My Lords

It gives me infinite Satisfaction that by a Letter I have very lately received from Colonel Bou-quet, I am enabled to inform your Lordships with Certainty, that the Indian Nations bordering upon us to the North-West, who have lately done this and the neighbouring Colonies so much Mischief are reduced to Reason, and have delivered up all their prisoners; so that I apprehend our Frontier Inhabitants may return to their Settlements and enjoy their property with Security. This happy Situation of this Colony is owing to the vigorous and at the same time prudent Conduct of that deserving Officer who has the Command of his Majestys Forces at Pitts-burgh and undertook this successful expedition in-to the Indian Towns lying down the Ohio. The Legislature of this Colony are so sensible of this, that they have in their seperate Capacities address-ed me, that I would represent Colonel Bouquets [p.246] Conduct on this Occasion / in this fair point of View to your Lordships, hoping thereby to recommend him to his Majesty's Favor that he may receive such Re-ward as they think his Services merit.

I shall only add that it is with great plea-sure, I embrace this opportunity of gratifying them

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in their request, and thereby becoming the Instrument of conveying their Sentiments to your right hon^ble Board, as well as my own.

I am with the greatest Respect

My Lords

Yr. Lordships

most Obed^t. and

devoted Servant

Fran. Fauquier

The right hon^ble the Lords of Trade &c^a.

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Endorsed Virginia/ Letter from Fnat. Fauquier/ Esq^r., Lt. Gov^r. of Virginia,/ to the Board, dated Dec^r. 15./1764, repre-senting the Services/ of Col: Bouquet in reducing/ the hostile Indians to reason./ Rec^d Feby. Read Augst. 9 } 1765 1766 | N. 59 6

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To The Honble Francis Fauquier Esqr Lieutenant Gov-
ernor and Commander in Chief of Virginia.

The Right Honble the Lords Commissioners for Trade & Plantations having required an Account of all the Lands Granted by Patent since the First Settlement of this Colony and Mr Secretary having represented to your Honour that such a List would be the work of several Years, and at last imperfect, it has been thought that perhaps a Copy of the last Rent Rolls as Settled at the Auditors Office might be equaly satisfactory to their Lordships.

I have endeavoured to have the Rent Rolls as perfect as possible, and we are now labouring in that work, which will yet take a considerable time to get through, as the Paper re: promised is not yet arrived, nor any order for the Expence of hiring Hands for its dispatch. But after all I cannot pretend they will be perfect and without any Errors, through the many imperfections of the Returns of the Several Sheriffs who make the Collections. One Sub Sheriff who Collected many Years for York County Returned his Roll each year a Copy of the former, and made Oath to his Account: at last he died, and the next Collector told me he found many Names in that Rent Roll that no such persons could be found in the County, so he made a List of persons struck off as not to be found, and

another of Persons and their Lands as found in the Coun-
-ty, tho not in the Roll, considerably exceeding the List
struck off. This is one Instance of many of their im-
-perfections. Some add Names for Lands they think
discovered, when it has proved afterwards the Land was
in the Roll in another Name and till that is discover-
-ed they stand both in the Roll, one unjustly adding
to the List of Insolvents. Some persons having poor
Land run away and leave it; others sell off their barren
Lands for a triffle to an insolvent person and many
are returned Proprietor or Land or both unknown, and
so swell the List of Insolvents, and must continue there
until by repeated Enquirys they can be discovered: so I
conceive a Copy of the last Rolls would not answer
their Lordships Intention. If their Lordships desire to
know what Acres have been paid for in Virginia (ex-
-clusive of Lord Fairfax's part) the Accounts Annualy
transmitted to the Auditor General in London, will fully
inform them, as there is a Column for the Acres paid
for each County; and a Copy of the last Accounts could
not I presume conduce more to their purpose: but if
desired it shall be done with all dispatch.

In the Infancy of the Colony for want of a pro-
-per Land Office and the Inaccuracy of the Sheriffs, the
Transferrs of the Lands from one Proprietor to another
was not duely taken notice of and cannot now be

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traced back to the Original Patentees, especialy with respect to old Grants. The imperfect state of the Rent Roll was observed by the late Colo: John Grymes who was Deputy Auditor in the year 1715, and a method was proposed and Attempted by him for remedying of it. But the method upon tryal was found Insufficient. Since the year 1759 The Honble & Revd Robert Cholmondeley Esqr having ordered that some further Attempt should be made for establising a Regular/ Rent Roll, a Specimen [f.266] of one for the County of Louisa was sent home to him for his Inspection, which not only met with your Honours approbation here, but likewise with the Auditor Generals in London, who desired that a Computation of the Expence of the work might be laid before him, and what time it would take to have it Accomplish.ed. This Computation Your Honour was so good as to peruse and Certify your Opinion of the usefulness of the undertaking. Since which time I have made out the Rough Copies of Seventeen Counties on the same plan with Louisa only with some Improvements. The whole might have been finished by this time had Necessarys for Carrying on the work been sent accord.ing to the Proposals and Computation of the Expence.

If their Lordships think proper to see the Rent Roll for Louisa and the Method proposed for Carry.ing on the work, Laid before them, I must inform

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your Honour that they are in the hands of the Audi-
-tor General in London; but I cannot suppose, however
it may shew the care we take here of that Revenue,
that this will come up to their Lordships Intention:
so I wait Your Honors further Orders, & am with great
Respect

Yo: Hon:

most obedient hble Servt

John Blair Dy Audr

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Endorsed Virginia/ Memorial of the honble/ John Blair
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To the honble Francis Fauquier Esqr Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of Virginia

In Obedience to the Commands of the Right Honble the Lords Commissioners for Trade and plantations, I beg leave to inform your Honour, that the Patents recorded in the Secretary's Office are contained in thirty two large Folios, among which are all the Lands in the Northern Neck granted before the year ..., now in the Territory or Proprietory of the Right Honble The Lord Fairfax; also many Patents for Lands in the Fork of Rappahanock River since adjudged to belong to the said Territory or Proprietory, on a dispute between his late Majesty and his Lordship; many more of the said Patents have been granted over again for the same Lands to several different persons, occasioned either by the Patentees deserting the said Lands, by Escheats, or by forfeitures for not complying with the condition of the Grants; some also of the said Patents have been granted before the line between this Colony and North Carolina was well settled, and are since found to be in North Carolina. An Abstract of the Record of all Grants from the first establishment of the Colony, specifying the names of the Grantees, the time when each grant was made, the quantity of Acres, the Quit Rent reserved, and location of each Grant,

would be the Work of several Years, and the quantity of Lands now patented and which ought to pay Quit Rent to his Majesty could by no means be ascertained for the reasons above mentioned, if their Lordships were in possession of all the Books in the Office. It has been commonly practised here, when persons purchase out of large Tracts of Land, instead of taking a
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Conveyance from the first Grantee/ to apply to the Office for a Patent as the better Title, and by this means a large Grant of Land which would appear to be contained in one Patent in the Office Books will be subdivided a-mong many purchasers, each of whom will take out a separate Patent for his share. If their Lordships want to be informed of the number of Acres that ought to pay Quit rents, it will appear with great exactness by the Rent roll now directed to be sent to them by the Auditor, and which I understand has not usually been before that Board: but if that will not be satisfactory, Copies of the Books shall be set about and prepared withall the expedition that a Work of that kind will admit of.

Tho: Nelson D. Secry

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Endorsed Virginia/ Memorial of the hon.ble/ Tho: Nelson Dep: Sec:/ relative to Grants of/ Land./ Inn in L: Gov.r Letter/ of 27 Dec.r 1764/ Read August 9. 1766. / L. 65.

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Wm.burgh July 26th 1766

My Lords/

I have the honor to transmit to your right hon.ble Board by Captain Sterling of his Majesty's Ship Rainbow, the Duplicates of the Acts of the last Session of Assembly, and of the Journal of the house of Burgesses, the Accompts of the Receiver-general, and Naval Officers, with the duplicates of some Acct.s before sent.

In a Letter I have lately received from Capt.n Murray Commandant at Fort Pitt, there this paragraph "There "are a Number of the Inhabitants of the Colony of Virginia come and settled upon Cheek River about seventy "Miles from this place in the very heart of the Indians "hunting Ground of which the Indians complaind very "justly, and if Rascals from the Frontiers are allowed "to come and take possession of the Indians Country [p.206] "before it is/purchased from them it will be impossible to prevent a Rupture with the Indians in which "the Innocent may suffer as well as the Guilty, Your "Province if they go on in this Lawless Manner, will "have more to fear from this Quarter than from the "Cherokees, as the General is determined not to send one "Man to their protection, they having brought it upon "themselves contrary to his Majesty's proclamation, and "indeed contrary to all Justice and Equity"

This Complaint I fear is too justly grounded in

every part of it. But my Lords I think We have done every thing in our power to put a Stop to these lawless proceedings, but hitherto without any Effect. If Application should be made to raise the Militia (the only military force We have) to repell the Incursions of the Indians, I imagine the Resolution of the Assembly would be correspondent to those of the General, so incensed are they at the very dangerous Conduct of these Settlers. perhaps the leaving them to the Mercy of the Indians may be the best if not the only Way to re-
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-claim them. /I have this moment since the writ-
-ing the above received a Letter by post from his Excellency General Gage with some Extracts of some Letters sent to him, all relating to the same Com-
-plaints. I apprehend his Excellency has given the Ministry full Information of all these Affairs. It appears that some spirited Measures are necessary, but how to put them in Execution is a Question above my Abilities to resolve in the present Situation of the Colonies.

Our Courts are all opened and Business goes on in the usual Channels. All is at present very quiet, tho' there seems to be too general an Inclination not to submit to Laws. The Li-
-centiousness of the people by being some time without Courts of Justice, does not subside so speedi-
-ly as could be wished

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I am with the greatest Respect & Esteem

My Lords

Yr. Lordships

most Obed.t Obliged

and devoted Servt.

Fran.s Fauquier

To the right Honble Lords of Trade &c.a

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Endorsed Virginia./ Letter from Fras. Fauquier/ Esqr., Lt. Govr. of Virginia,/ to the Board, dated July 26./ 1766, relative to complaints/ of Settlements made in/ the Indians Hunting Grounds/ Read Novr. 6. 1766/ Rd Sept. 29. 1766/ L. 4 3./ Naval Office Lists. 4 papers, &c.a

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Hbg. Sept. 4th 1766

My Lords

In my last Letter of the 26th July to your right honorable Board, I made yr. Lordsp. acquainted with the Contents of some Letters I had then lately received from his Excellency Major General Gage, and Major Murray Commandant at Fort Pitt relating the un-lawful Settlements of some of his Majestys Subjects on Indian Lands. In Consequence thereof I have since issued the Proclamation of which I enclose to your Lordships a Copy taken out of the Gazette. By this your Lordships will see that this Govern-ment takes every Step in their power to put a Stop to these lawless proceedings. I must entreat your Lordships Pardon for sending the proclama-tion in this manner but upon Enquiry I found that every Copy of the large ones pointed separate-ly, had been sent away to be dispersed among the back Inhabitants

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/I have nothing new of moment to communicate to your Lordships. The people are sour partly occa-sioned by their private Distresses and partly by be-ing spirited up by the news papers, every thing is become a Matter of Heat and Party Faction, every thing is contested; a Spirit of Discontent and Cavill runs through the Colony, so opposite is the general Tenor of

their Conduct to that Moderation, which the late Indulgencies received from their mother Country ought to inspire them with.

The Assembly will meet in the beginning of November as I at first intended

I am with the greatest Respect

My Lords

Yr Lordships

most Obedt Obliged

and devoted Servt

Fran: Fauquier

To the right honble the Lords of Trade &c.

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Endorsed Virginia/ Letter from Frans Fauquier/ Esqr Ls Govr of Virginia,/ to the Board, dated Septr 4/ 1766, relative/ to Settlements/ in the interior Country,/ and to the temper of the/ Inhabitants of the Colony./ Recd Novr } 1766/ N. 77./ Read — } /paper

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Virginia, ss.

By the Hon^ble Francis Fauquier, Esq; his Majestys Lieutenant Governour, and Commander in Chief of the said Colony and Dominion:

A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas I have lately received letters from his Excellency Major General Gage, and Major William Murrays, com-manding officer at fort Pitt, informing me that sever-al people of Virginia have seated themselves on lands belonging to the Indians, to the westward of the Allegheny mountains, and contiguous to the river Cheek in disobedience to his Majestys commands (notified by two proclamations of the 7th of October 1763. and the 10th of April 1766) in violation of the friendship subsisting between us and the said Indians, and in contempt of the dreadful consequences which I am warned are to be suddenly apprehended from such unjust and licentious proceedings: I have therefore, to put a stop to these and all other the like encroachments for the future, thought fit, by and with the advice of his Majestys Council, to issue this proclamation, in his Majestys name, hereby strictly enjoining and requiring all persons who have made such settlements immediately to evacuate the same, and to pay the strictest obedience hereafter to his Majestys commands herein signified; which if

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they shall fail to do they must expect no protection or mercy from Government, and be exposed to the revenge of the exasperated Indians.

Given under my hand, and the seal of the colony, at Williamsburg, this 31st day of July 1766, and in the 6th year of his Majesty's reign.

Francis Fauquier

God save the King.

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Endorsed Virginia/ Printed Copy of Lt Govr/ Fauquier's proclamation,/ dated the 31st of July 1766./ requiring all persons, who/ have made Settlements on/ Indian Lands, immediately/ to evacuate them/ In the Lt Govr Letter/ of 4 Septr 1766/ Read Novr 4th 1766./ L. 78.

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At the Court at St. James's

the 21st day of June 1765

Present

The Kings most Excellent Majesty

in Council.

[seal impressed on paper over wafer]

Upon reading this day at the Board, the humble Memorial of George Mercer, on behalf of the Ohio Company in Virginia, setting forth amongst other things, that on the 16: of March 1748, His late Majesty was pleased to give an Instruction to the Lieutenant Governor of Virginia to Grant the said Company (under certain conditions) five hundred thousand Acres of Land between Romanettoes and Buffaloes Creeks on the South side of the Ohio, and between the Streams called the two Creeks and Yellow Creek, on the North side of the said River; And humbly praying, for the reasons therein contained, that His Majesty will be pleased, either to renew the said Instructions to the Lieutenant Governor of Virginia for the time being, or recommend to Parliament, the making some provision for reimbursing the great expences incurred by the Ohio Company, or that the said Company may receive, by a Grant of Land in some other part of His Majestys American Dominions, or otherwise, such compensation, as His Majesty in His Bounty shall be graciously pleased to bestow upon them.--

It is Ordered by His Majesty in Council, that the said Memorial, together with a Memorial of the Ohio Company addressed to His Majesty relative to this matter (copies whereof are hereunto annexed) be, and they are hereby referred to the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plan-tations, to consider the same and Report to a Committee of the Lords of His Majestys most Honourable Privy Coun-cil, what they conceive adviseable to be done thereon.—

Robert Walpole

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To the King's most Excellent Majesty
in Council.

The humble Memorial of George Mercer
on the behalf of the Ohio Company in Virginia.

Most humbly Sheweth

That it has been always deemed of the ut.
.most Importance to the Safety of your Majesty's
American Dominions and to the Welfare & prosperity
of Great Britain, to Secure to your Majesty's Subjects
in America, an Intercourse with the Indian Nations in
the Interior part of North America, and to Acquire &
keep such Possession on the great Rivers and Inland
Waters of that Country as might prevent the Exe.
.cution of a Plan long since laid by the Crown of
France and its Governors in Canada for the absolute.
-ly cutting off that Intercourse, & thereby for uniting
all the said Indian Nations against the British Colonies.

That for the purpose of effectually making
such Settlements with the good will of the Indians,
and in Order to Secure them when made, the first
Members of the Ohio Company deemed it adviseable
to raise a joint Stock, and, soon after the Conclusion
of the Peace of Aix-la-Chapelle to apply by Petition
to your Majesty's Royal Grandfather for such Grants of
Land and Privileges as the Gov[r] of Virginia was not

empowered to make, and they were the rather induced to make this Application because that as there were [illegible] just/Grounds to apprehend that such Settlements would not remain undisturbed either by Secret Practices or by open Violence on the part of the French, it would not only be necessary to expend very large Sums of Money, but to take no step on so delicate an Occasion, but with the knowledge & Approbation of his Majestys Ministers.

That the said Company by the Petition presented on their behalf by the late Mr. John Hanbury, did humbly pray his said late Majesty, that his Majesty would be graciously pleased to encourage their said Undertaking by giving Instructions to his Lieut. Gov. of Virginia to Grant to the Petitioners a Tract of 500,000 Acres of Land between Romanettoe's and Buffaloe's Creeks on the South Side of the Ohio and between the Streams called the two Creeks and Yellow Creek on the North Side of the said River, and that 200,000 Acres part thereof might be immediately Granted, upon Condition of Setling at their proper Expence 100 Families thereon in 7 Years & upon Condition of Erecting a Fort & maintaining a Garrison as in the Sd Petition mentioned, and that 300,000 Acres the remainder of the said 500,000 Acres might be Granted to the Petitioners when they had Complied with the Terms of the first Grant

That upon a Reference by the Lords of the

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Committee of the Council to the Lords Commissioners of Trade and Plantations, their Lordships were pleased to Report that it was their Opinion that it would be for his Majestys Service to Grant the said Petition, especially as such Settlement would be a proper step towards Checking the Incroachments of the French by interrupting part of their Communication from their Lodgment on the great Lakes to the River Mississippi, by means whereof the British Settlements were exposed to their Incursions [1.415 A.S.] and that of the Indians in their Interest, which benefits would be further extended under the said Companys Proposals.

That his said late Majesty was thereupon pleased to give such Instruction as was prayed by the Petitioners to the Lieutenant Governor of Virginia.

That the Company forthwith engaged in a very Considerable Expence to the Amount of many thousand Pounds for the Attaining the beneficial Ends of the said Grants, by causing Surveys to be made, Setlers to be engaged & Materials for Erecting a Fort to be pro-vided, and which Fort was afterwards in a great mea-sure Erected at the Expence of the Company.

That many unforeseen Obstructions arose soon after, not only from the Forces employed by the Crown of France, but also from the Obstacles raised to the Execution of his Majesty's Instructions by the

Lieutenant Governor and Council of Virginia, who, after they had Notice of the s^{d} Instructions, but before they were produced in form, granted either upon Petitions for the Extending the time to which former Petitions were limited or upon Applications entirely New, 1,350,000 Acres of Land, West of the Mountains to psons incapable of making effectual Settlements, and whose Grants coud therefore only serve to frustrate the Ends of those to which the Company were Entitled under his Ma.-jestys Instructions.

That while the Company were engaged in re.-moving those Difficulties & in Conciliating the Affections [P.496 P.4] of the Indians residing on the Ohio, at a very/con.-siderable Expence, & when they had Actually begun to Erect their Fort & had raised a proper Garrison for that Service, the whole force of the French Colony in Canada was employed by the Governor of that Coun.-try (Sensible of the great Importance and Utility of the Measures the Company were taking to the Crown of Great Britain) to disappoint the same, and those Forces too powerful for the Company to resist, effected their design by the entire Destruction of that Fort begun to be Erected & of all the other footing the Company had Obtained in that Country.

That the Company however, so long as any hopes remained of preserving this valuable Country

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without a Royal Army, neglected no means, nor did they spare any Expence for that purpose, & were the Principal Occasion of such defence as was made of it until the Arrival of General Braddock.

That the Obstinacy with which the Country on the Ohio hath since been Contended for, is a Proof how well founded & just the Proposals of the Ohio Company were for the benefit of the British Nation & the Immense Advantage resulting to the Nation from the Cession of this Territory by the late Glorious Peace will always be a permanent Evidence of the truth of the Allegations in their first Petition.

That as soon as the Peace was Proclaimed the Company, notwithstanding the heavy Expences they had been at, and from which they had yet reaped no fruit, but vigilant how they might, as early as possible, improve the benefits Secured by it, begun to raise a New Fund, in Order to Enable themselves to effectuate the wise Intentions of his late Majesty's Instructions & thought it their Duty to send over your Memorialist from Virginia, humbly to intreat your Majesty's Royal Protection and Approbation of their Design.

/But that your Memorialist soon after his Arri- [f. 617 f. 5]
-val in England being informed of your Majestys Royal Proclamation restraining all future Grants & Settle-
=ments within the Bounds therein described & conceiving

your Majesty's Royal Pleasure to be that no further steps should be taken under the said Instructions un-til further Order from your Majesty, hath been hither-to with-held thereby from making the humble Appli-cation he had directions to make to your Majesty upon the base of the Ohio Company, and the Company, on the Advice they received from your Memorialist thought themselves bound in Duty, alltogether to Acquiesce un-der your Majesty's Proclamation, yet understanding that your Majesty in your Royal Wisdom has Signi-fied that the Provisions of the said Proclamation were intended to be Temporary only, your Memorial-ist most humbly hopes that there is no reason to distrust the Company's want of Obedience thereto so long as your Majesty shall in your great Wisdom deem the same fit to continue in force, altho' the Grants directed in the said Instructions should be Actually made.

Your Memorialist therefore most humbly Prays that your Majesty would please to take the Premises into your Royal Consideration, & to renew the said Instructions to the Lieut. Gov-ernor of Virginia for the time being, or that, in case such Instructions sho^d by your Ma-jesty in your Royal Wisdom be deemed in-consistent with the Rules of Policy that ought

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to be observed in that Country, your Memor-
-ialist not presuming to entertain a doubt
on the Subject of your Majesty's Royal Coun-
-sels, most humbly prays that your Majesty
would be graciously pleased to recommend
to the Parliament of Great Britain, the mak-
-ing some Provision for the Reimbursement
of the great Expences incurred by the Ohio
Company, as the Event hath/turned out [p. 4, l. 15 p. 6]
for the benefit of the Publick only, or that
the Sd. Company may receive, by a Grant of
Land in some other part of your Majesty's
American Dominions, or otherwise such Com-
-pensation as your Majesty in your Bounty
shall be Graciously pleased to bestow up-
-on them

And your Memorialist shall most hum-
-bly Pray

Go. Mercer

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To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

Your Majesty's most loyal Subjects, Members of the Ohio-Company in Virginia, being under a Necessity of Approaching your Royal Presence, beg leave, by the first Opportunity that has offered, to express their most gratefull Acknowledgments for the Blessings they begin to experience after a long & cruel War, which, though once threatening their destruction, has, under your Majesty's Auspicious Reign, by the Wisdom & Steadiness of your Councils, been terminated in a Glorious Peace, that has, through every Quarter of the World (which have felt the weight of your Majesty's Arms and experienced your Lenity & Moderation) render'd the name of George the Third as Glorious as it is, and always will be, dear to your Majesty's Subjects - And when We reflect that these Blessings are like to be perpetuated to our latest Posterity, of which your Majesty's happy Marriage with our most gracious Queen, whose Virtues are an Honour to her Crown, and the Birth of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, are the most happy Presages, We cannot omit rendering our sincere thanks to divine Providence, that, by Showering down so many Blessings upon the beginning of your Majesty's Reign has pointed it out to be distinguished with a Lustre so far exceeding any other in the British Annals.

We most humbly beg leave to Represent to your Majesty, That your Grandfather was pleased to give an Instruction to the late Sir William Gooch Bart. his Lieutenant-Governor of this Colony, to make a Grant or Grants to John Hanbury late of London Merchant & thirteen others therein named, Inhabit.ts of this Colony & their Associates of 200,000 Acres of Land betwixt Romanettoe's & Buffaloe's Creeks on the South Side of the River Allegany (otherwise Ohio) and betwixt the two Creeks and Yellow Creek on the North side of the said River, or in such other part/ or parts of the West of the Great Mountains as should be adjudged most proper by them for making Settlements thereon, & extending the British Trade in those parts, upon par.ticular Terms therein mentioned, which, when they had complied with, the said Lieut.t Gov.r was required to make a further Grant or Grants to them for 300,000 Acres more, within the said Limits under the like Conditions & Limi.tations as the first 200,000 Acres.

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That the s.d Company immediately began to pro.vide for making their Settlements; and apprehending they sho.d be intitled to the said Lands on better Terms than they were usually granted to other Persons by the Government here (which was the Inducement for their Application to his late Majesty) took in some other Partners, several of whom were Purchasers for a full

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consideration, to the number of Twenty in the whole. who have, upon the Faith of the s^d. Instruction expend. -ed above Ten thousand Pounds Sterling in Order to comply with the Terms prescribed to them, but meet. -ing several Difficulties and Objections; as well from the Government here, who had made many large Grants and one in particular of 800,000 Acres, to a Company here, they were prevented from compleating their Settle. -ment 'till the French came and took Possession of the Fort they were building, destroyed their Houses, and drove off their Workmen - The War, which followed thereupon, in which they lost great part of the Com. -pany's Stock, put a full Stop to all Settlements in those parts, 'till, through the Success of your Majesty's Arms, the Possession of the Enemy's Fort, then called Fort Du - Quesne and now Fort Pitt, was happily re. -stored; but, since that Period, when we expected to have been Allowed to prosecute our Settlements, We have been told that no Settlement was to be made in those parts without your Majesty's express Directions.

We must beg leave humbly to Represent to your Majesty, that the motives that first induced the Com. -pany to undertake such a Scheme were not founded on narrow self / interested Principles, they Observed, with [P.433 P.3] Concern & Indignation that the French were imperceptible and unnoticed Stealing the Possession of your

Majesty's Lands, building Forts thereon, and debauching and stirring up the Indians against your Majesty's Subjects + were Sensible that nothing but the speedy Settlement of those parts and an Advantageous Trade to engage the Indians to the British Interest, could put a stop to it and that no such Settlement could be made, or Trade Carried on with any prospect of Success, but by a Company who were able to advance a Sum adequate to those purposes — These were once Publickly Acknowledged to be their Motives, for on the Day his late Majesty's Instruction was produced to the Governor and Council here several Persons applied for, and obtained Orders for taking up above a Million of Acres of Land in those parts; and upon the late Mr. Hanbury's Application to Lord Granville Lord Baltimore and Mr. Penn for Grants of large Tracts of Land, within their several Proprietaries, for the Convenience of extending the Trade with the Indians, they declared they would Grant them to the Company on the same Terms they obtained their Grant from the Crown. The Company humbly hope they may be Allowed some Merit from the Share they bore in the War, in which most of them, who had Sons and Relations fit to Serve their King and Country, enabled them, at a Considerable Expence to do so; and, though three of them had the Misfortune to lose their Sons in the Course of it, they

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had the Satisfaction to know they fell Universally la-
-mented and regretted by their Officers, one of whom
was Brother to Lieut: Colonel Mercer, whom we have
chosen to present our Petition to your Majesty, not
only as he is one of our Company, but having had
the Honour of Serving during the whole War, with
so much Credit, as to receive the thanks of the Gen-
-eral Assembly upon that Occasion, he is, from his
Personal knowledge of that part of the Country best
able to give your Majesty, or your Ministers/ as much [f. 129 p. 4]
Satisfaction as most of your Subjects in that Service.

We therefore humbly presume to Address your
Majesty That you would be graciously pleased to give
an Instruction to your Gov^r or Lieut: Governor of Virgin-
-ia to make a Grant or Grants to your Petitioners and
their Partners for the said 500,000 Acres of Land, upon
such Terms as your Majesty shall judge reasonable, and
that may be of real Advantage to your Petitioners, as
the Right Honoble the Lords of the Committee for Planta-
-tion Affairs upon a Reference to them of the last of
our Petitions, have, thro' a Misinformation of some
Interested Psons, as we apprehend, mistaken both our
Meaning and that of the Instruction M^r Beverley,
named in their Report at the time of his opposition,
was possessed of many very large Tracts of Land
in different Counties, & had lately Obtained a Grant

for 120,000 Acres in Augusta-County, which he had advertised for Sale to Purchasers who were daily coming from the Northward Provinces to buy Lands within this Government, which they could there do for less Money than the Quit Rents in some of those Provinces Amount to_ As to the Expence of Surveys their Lordships must have been misinformed as to our Laws and Custom relating thereto, as well as to those Established as the manner of Surveying; of both which our Agent is provided with indisputable Proofs under the Colony Seal to give their Lordps the most convincing Satisfaction: Therefore their Lordship's proposed Expedient of taking up our Lands in Tracts of 20,000 Acres each, the breadth to be one-third of the length, is so far from removing all Causes of Complaint and difficulty on that Head, that We are perswaded no person in your Majestys Colony would Accept such a Grant upon those Terms_ These were the Company's Inducements [f. 225 p. 5] to desire a Grant within Natural / Boundaries, as it would have saved them the Charge of Surveying, and their Agent was fully impowered to Settle the Quit-Rent, or what should be thought reasonable in lieu of it, Considering how much Land not fit for Cultivation would probably be included within such a Boundary; an Indulgence they hoped they might have been thought to have merited from their being the first Proposers of

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so dangerous and expensive an Undertaking, from which so many Advantages were like to Accrue to the Public - But if such an Indulgence is, in your Majestys Judgment, not fit to be Granted, We must entirely Submit to your Royal Pleasure, and beg leave that We may be Allowed to Survey our Lands in such a manner as other of your Majesty's Subjects here have been permitted to do upon the first Settle-ment of our Frontier Countries - And if that should be thought improper, We have so firm a Reliance on your Majesty's Justice and Equity, that We cannot in the least doubt but your Majesty will be graciously pleased to Order us to be Repaid the Money advanced by our Company, with Interest, which we had much rather receive, than accept of a Grant of Lands in so distant a part of the Country upon any other Terms than We have proposed — In every Case the Company will have the greatest Satisfaction in having done everything in their Power & Con-tributed in ever so small a Share towards the Success of your Majesty's Arms, and the Security of their Country, as, whatever their Interest may suffer, or whatever may be your Majesty's Will and Pleasure, We shall Submit to it with the utmost Satisfaction, being, with the greatest Sub-mission, what We beg leave to have the Honour

of Subscribing Ourselves.

May it please your Majesty.

Your most Loyal & Obedient Subjects and Servts.

Committee { J. Mercer
Philip Ludwell Lee
Thos. Lud. Lee
/John Taylor
Presly Thornton
Lunsford Lomax
Richard Lee_

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Endorsed Virginia. / Order of the King in Council / dated June 21. 1765, referring / to the Board, for their consideration & report, a Memor.l / of Mr. George Mercer, on / behalf of the Ohio Company / in Virginia, praying that / some compensation may be / made to them for the expences / incurred in consequence of an / Instruction of his late Majesty /

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The Acco.t of his Majesty's Revenue of Quitrents &c. arising within the Colony of Virginia for the Year 1763.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows

To Balance of the last Acco.t ..... £	8923.	18.	6
To the Quitrents of the Northern Neck for the year 1763	6.	13.	4
To the Accos. of compositions for Escheated Lands	1.	12.	8

Quitrents for the Year 1763.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount.
Amelia	375000	£375.---	£37.10.—	£337.10.—
Augusta	350000	350.---	35.—.—	315.--.—
Albemarle	210000	210.---	21.—.—	189.—.—
Accomack	.....	.....	.....	.....
Amherst	249574	249.17.6	24.19.9	224.17.9
Brunswick	219000	219.---	21.18.—	197.2.—
Bedford	130000	130.---	13.—.—	117.—.—
Buckingham	127000	127.---	12.14.—	114.6.—
Caroline	285953	285.19.1	28.11.11	257.7.2
Charles City	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cumberland	299000	299.---	29.18.—	269.2.—
Chesterfield	253589	253.11.9	25.7.2	228.4.7
Dinwiddie	272436	272.8.9	27.4.10	245.3.11
Elizabeth City ..	30000	30.---	3.—.—	27.--.—
Essex	149750	149.15.—	14.19.6	134.15.6
Gloucester	170000	170.---	17.—.—	153.--.—
Goochland	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hanover	209000	209.---	20.18.—	188.2.—
Henrico	122552	122.11.—	12.5.1	110.5.11
Halifax	130000	130.---	13.—.—	117.--.—
James City	89727	89.14.7	8.19.6	80.15.1
Isle of Wight	.....	.....	.....	.....
King William	80000	80.---	8.—.—	72.—.—
King & Queen	174717	174.14.4	17.9.5	157.4.11
Louisa	234091	234.1.10	23.8.2	210.13.8
Lunenburgh	315000	315.---	31.10.—	283.10.—
Middlesex	75335	75.6.8	7.10.8	67.16.—
Nansemond	169059	169.1.2	16.18.1	152.3.1
Norfolk	142756	142.15.2	14.5.6	128.9.8
Northampton	100717	100.14.4	10.1.5	90.12.11
New Kent	87000	87.---	8.14.—	78.6.—
Orange	150947	150.18.11	15.1.10	135.17.1
Prince George ...	152969	152.19.5	15.5.11	137.13.6
Princess Ann	131147	131.2.11	13.2.3	118.—.8
Prince Edward ...	170000	170.---	17.—.—	153.—.—

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amounts			
Lancaster	246377	246 . 7 . 7	24 . 12 . 9	221 . 14 . 10			
Surry	113000	113 . — . —	11 . 6 . —	101 . 14 . —			
Southampton	271974	271 . 19 . 6	27 . 3 . 11	244 . 15 . 7			
Sussex	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .			
Warwick	41020	41 . — . 5	4 . 2 . —	36 . 18 . 5			
York	35000	35 . — . —	3 . 10 . —	31 . 10 . —	5727 .	12 .	3
					14659 .	16 .	9

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Arrears of Quitrents paid in the Year 1763

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount.			
Brunswick . . . 1761	99000	£99 . — . —	£ 9 . 18 . —	£ 89 . 2 . —			
Ditto 1758	83270	83 . 5 . 5	8 . 6 . 6	74 . 18 . 11			
Caroline 1756	38425	38 . 8 . 6	3 . 16 . 10	34 . 11 . 8			
Ditto 1755	62742	62 . 14 . 10	6 . 5 . 6	56 . 9 . 4			
Ditto 1754	14000	14 . — . —	1 . 8 . —	12 . 12 . —			
Charles City . . . 1760	49000	49 . — . —	4 . 18 . —	44 . 2 . —			
Elizabeth City . 1761	. . 6092	6 . 1 . 10	— . 12 . 2	5 . 9 . 8			
Goochland 1762	134055	134 . 1 . 1	13 . 8 . 1	120 . 13 . —			
Ditto 1761	7025	7 . — . 6	— . 14 . —	6 . 6 . 6			
Hanover 1762	15295	15 . 5 . 11	1 . 10 . 7	13 . 15 . 4			
Halifax 1762	179792	179 . 15 . 10	17 . 19 . 7	161 . 16 . 3			
Ditto 1761	78000	78 . — . —	7 . 16 . —	70 . 4 . —			
Isle of Wight . . 1762	35327	35 . 6 . 6	3 . 10 . 8	31 . 15 . 10			
King William . 1759	65133	65 . 2 . 8	6 . 10 . 3	58 . 12 . 5			
Lunenburgh . . 1762	281617	281 . 12 . 4	28 . 3 . 2	253 . 9 . 2			
Middlesex . . . 1762	. . 6135	. . 6 . 2 . 8	— . 12 . 3	. . 5 . 10 . 5			
Nansemond . . 1762	18755	18 . 15 . 1	1 . 17 . 6	16 . 17 . 7			
Ditto 1761	10852	10 . 17 . —	1 . 1 . 8	9 . 15 . 4			
Orange 1762	43000	43 . — . —	4 . 6 . —	38 . 14 . —			
Ditto 1752	5028	5 . — . 7	. . 10 . —	4 . 10 . 7			
Prince Edward 1762	13498	13 . 10 . —	1 . 7 . —	12 . 3 . —			
Surry 1753	149946	149 . 15 . 11	14 . 19 . 10	134 . 19 . 1			
Sussex 1762	7953	7 . 19 . 1	15 . 11	7 . 3 . 2	1263 .	11 .	3
Received of Sundry Persons in several Counties					40 .	19 .	3
				£	15964 .	7 .	3

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The Receiver General doth Discharge himself

By paid to the Honble & Reverend Robert Cholmondeley on his Majestys Warrant one years Allowance ending the 25th of October 1764	£150.	—	—
By two Warrants to the Attorney General for one years Salary ending the 25th of October 1764	70.	—	—
By paid to James Abercrombie Esqr on his Majestys Warrant one years Allowance ending the 21st Septr 1764	200.	—	—
By Allowance of £20.16.8 pCt on £7032.2.9 the receipt of this Acct to enable the Receiver General to remit the same to London by Bills of Exchange	1465.	—	7
By Allowance of ½ pCt for Negotiating the Bills of Exchange in London	35.	4	—
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 pCt on £7040.8.9	352.	—	5
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	352.	—	5
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to .... £	2624	5	5
And there will remain due to Balance this Acct	13340	1	10
£	15964	7	3.

Rd Corbin D.R.G.

I have Examined the within Acco^{t} of his Majesty's Revenue of Quitrents for the year 1763 and have compard every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Rich^{d} Corbin Esq^{r} Receiver General and find the Charge thereof amounts to fifteen thousand nine hundred sixty four Pounds seven Shillings and three Pence and the Discharge to two thousand six hundred twenty four Pounds five Shillings and five Pence both truly Stated So that there is due to his Majesty's Revenue for Balance of this Acco^{t} thirteen thousand three hundred forty Pounds one Shilling and ten Pence Sterling

John Blair D. Aud^{r}

Dec^{r} 6th 1764.

The within Acco^{t} compared and Examined by John Blair Esq^{r} Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Richard Corbin Esq^{r} Receiver General.

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The Accot of his Majesty's Revenue of 2/p Hogshead vz arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of October 1764 to the 25th of April 1765.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows.			
To Balance of the last Accot ..... £	2667 ..	3 ..	11
The Accot of the Upper District of James River	830 .	18 .	1
The Accot of the Lower District of James River	369 .	18 .	8
The Accot of the District of York River	435 .	2 .	6
The Accot of the District of Rappahannock River	290 .	19 .	6
The Accot of the District of South Potomack	190 .	15 .	8
The Accot of the Port of Accomack	37 .	14 .	3
The Accot of sundry Rights of Land sold	206 .	17 .	3
The Accot of Fines and Forfeitures	1 ..	5 .	4
	5030 ..	15 .	2
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the payment of the following Sums.			
By a Warrant for half a years Salary to the Governor .. £	1000 .	— .	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council ...	600 .	— .	—
By a Warrant to the Judges and other Officers of a Court of Oyer and Terminer	100 .	— .	—
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robert Cholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a years Salary ...	50 .	— .	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr Solicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100 .	— .	—
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esqr his Majestys Attorney General for Ditto	35 .	— .	—
By a Warrant to Nathaniel Wallthoe Esqr Clerk of the Council for Ditto	75 .	— .	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a years Salary	160 .	— .	
By a Warrant to John Bell Armourer for Ditto	6 .	— .	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	12 .	10 .	—
By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court and Assembly	18 .	— .	—

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By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House..	86.	2.	10
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges.....	809.	10.	5
By allowance of ½ p Ct. on £1890. 18. – for negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London.....	9.	9.	1
By allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Ct. on £2363. 11. 3	118.	3.	7
By allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum...	118.	3.	7
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to ..... £	3297.	19.	6
And there will remain due to balance this Accot	1732.	15.	8
£	5030.	15.	2

Rd Corbin R. G

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/I have Examined the within Accot of his Majestys Revenue Commencing the 25th of October 1764 and ending the 25th of April 1765 and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richd Corbin Esqr Receiver General and find the same truly Stated And that there is due to his Majestys Revenue for balance thereof one thousand seven hundred thirty Pounds fifteen Shillings and eight Pence Sterling

John Blair D. Audr

May 7th 1765
The within Accot Compared and Examined by John Blair Esqr Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Richard Corbin Esqr Receiver General.

Fran: Fauquier

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The Acco.t of his Majestys Revenue of Quitrents &c. Arising within this Colony of Virginia for the year 1762.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows

To Balance of the last Acco.t	£396.	17.	9
To the Quitrents of the Northern Neck for the year 1762 ...	6.	13.	4
To the Acco.t of Compositions for Escheated Lands	—.	—.	—.

Quitrents for the Year 1762.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount
Amelia	404375	£404. 7. 6	£40. 8. 9	£363. 18. 9
Augusta	486499	£486. 9. 11	£48. 12. 11	437. 17. —
Albemarle	315980	£315. 19. 7	£31. 11. 11	284. 7. 8
Accomack	200000	£200. —. —	£20. —. —	180. —. —
Amherst	245344	£245. 6. 10	£24. 10. 8	220. 16. 2
Brunswick	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bedford	171024	£171. —. 6	£17. 2. —	153. 18. 6
Buckingham	202942	£202. 18. 10	£20. 5. 10	182. 13. —
Caroline	260000	£260. —. —	£26. —. —	234. —. —
Charles City	100567	£100. 11. 4	£10. 1. 1	90. 10. 3
Cumberland	303817	£303. 16. 5	£30. 7. 8	273. 8. 9
Chesterfield	258087	£258. 1. 9	£25. 16. 2	232. 5. 7
Dinwiddie	271168	£271. 3. 4	£27. 2. 4	244. 1. —
Elizabeth City ...	30000	£30. —. —	£3. —. —	27. —. —
Essex	146849	£146. 17. —	£14. 13. 8	132. 3. 4
Gloucester	172085	£172. 1. 8	£17. 4. 2	154. 17. 6
Goochland	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hanover	240000	£240. —. —	£24. —. —	216. —. —
Henrico	122105	£122. 2. 1	£12. 4. 2	109. 17. 11
Halifax	.....	.....	.....	.....
James City	88838	£88. 16. 8	£8. 17. 8	79. 19. —
Isle of Wight	113000	£113. —. —	£11. 6. —	101. 14. —
King William ..	147238	£147. 4. 10	£14. 14. 6	132. 10. 4
King & Queen	187357	£187. 7. 2	£18. 14. 8	168. 12. 6
Louisa	250355	£250. 7. 1	£25. —. 8	225. 6. 5
Lunenburgh ...	220000	£220. —. —	£22. —. —	198. —. —
Middlesex	70000	£70. —. —	£7. —. —	63. —. —
Nansemond	140000	£140. —. —	£14. —. —	126. —. —
Norfolk	144859	£144. 17. 9	£14. 9. 9	130. 8. —
Northampton	103666	£103. 13. 4	£10. 7. 4	93. 6. —
New Kent	105679	£105. 13. 7	£10. 11. 4	95. 2. 3
Orange	.....	.....	.....	.....
Prince George ...	154392	£154. 7. 10	£15. 8. 9	138. 19. 1
Princess Ann ...	134822	£134. 6. 6	£13. 8. 8	120. 17. 10
Prince Edward...	170000	£170. —. —	£17. —. —	153. —. —

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Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount			
Spotsylvania	245498	£245 . 10 . —	£24 . 11 . —	220 . 19 . —			
Surry	137852	£137 . 17 . —	£13 . 15 . 8	124 . 1 . 4			
Southampton	280703	£280 . 14 . 1	£28 . 1 . 4	252 . 12 . 9			
Sussex	230000	£230 . — . —	£23 . — . —	207 . — . —			
Warwick	42195	£42 . 3 . 10	£ 4 . 4 . 5	37 . 19 . 5			
York	35000	£35 . — . —	£ 3 . 10 . —	31 . 10 . —	6238	13	4
				£	10642	4	5

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Arrears of Quitrents paid in the Year 1762.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances.	Amount.			
Augusta ... 1761	24143	£24 . 2 . 10	£2 . 8 . 3	£21 . 14 . 7			
Accomack ... 1761	1200	£ 1 . 4 . —	£ . . 2 . 5	1 . 1 . 7			
Brunswick .. 1761	82000	£82 . — . —	£8 . 4 . —	73 . 16 . —			
Charles City .. 1761	99810	£99 . 16 . 2	£9 . 19 . 7	89 . 16 . 7			
Caroline 1752	183981	£183 . 19 . 7	£18 . 7 . 11	165 . 11 . 8			
Hanover ... 1755	6300	£ 6 . 6 . —	£ . . . 12 . 7	5 . 13 . 5			
King William . 1758	56939	£56 . 18 . 10	£5 . 13 . 10	51 . 5 . —			
Lunenburgh . 1761	248710	£248 . 14 . 2	£24 . 17 . 5	223 . 16 . 9			
Fetto ... 1753	45000	£45 . — . —	£4 . 10 . —	40 . 10 . —			
Norfolk 1761	145324	£145 . 6 . 6	£14 . 10 . 8	130 . 15 . 10			
Orange 1761	84633	£84 . 12 . 8	£8 . 9 . 3	76 . 3 . 5			
Ditto 1754	94408	£94 . 8 . 2	£9 . 8 . 10	84 . 19 . 4			
Warwick 1761	41865	£41 . 17 . 4	£4 . 3 . 9	37 . 13 . 7	1002	17 .	9
Received of Sundry Persons in several Counties					26 .	19 .	9
				£	11692	1	11

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The Receiver General doth Discharge himself

By paid to the Honble & Revd Robert Cholmondeley on his Majestys Warrant one years Allowance ending the 25th of October 1763	£150	..	..
By two Warrants to the Attorney General for one years Salary ending the 25th of October 1763	40	..	..
By paid to James Abercrombie Esqr on his Majestys Warrt dated the 21st June 1762 for £200 p Annum five quarterly Payments to the 21st of September 1763	250.	..	..
By Allowance of £20.16.8 p Cent on £7268.10.10 the receipt of this Accot to enable the Receiver General to remit the same to London by Bills of Exchange	1514.	5.	7
By Allowance of ½ p Cent for Negociating the Bills of Exchange in London	36.	7.	6
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Cent on £7275.4.2	363.	15.	2
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	363.	15.	2
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to .... £	2748.	3.	5
And there will remain due to balance this Accot	8923.	18.	6
£	11672.	1.	11

Rd Corbin

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I have Examined the within Acco.t of his Majesty's Revenue of Quitrents for the year 1762 and have compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esq.r Receiver General and find the Charge thereof amounting to eleven thousand six hundred seventy two Pounds one Shilling and eleven Pence and the Discharge to two thou.= sand seven hundred forty eight Pounds three Shillings and five Pence both truly Stated. So that there is due to his Majestys Revenue for balance of this Acco.t eight thousand nine hundred twenty three Pounds eighteen Shillings and six Pence Sterl.g

John Blair D. Aud.r

Nov.r 5.th 1763

The within Acco.t Compared and Examined by John Blair Esq.r Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Richard Corbin Esq.r Receiver General

John Blair Presid.r

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The Accot of his Majesty's Revenue of 2/ pr Hogshead v. Ars.
-ing within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of Octobr
1763 to the 25th April 1764.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows			
To Balance of the last Accot ..... £	2276.	—	7
The Accot of the Upper District of James River	963.	1.	10
The Accot of the Lower District of James River	357.	14.	5
The Accot of the District of York River	382.	1.	—
The Accot of the District of Rappahannock River	413.	17.	4
The Accot of the District of South Potomack	429.	16.	4
The Accot of the Port of Accomack	"	"	"
The Accot of sundry Rights of Land sold	285.	12.	—
The Accot of Fines & Forfeitures	7.	18.	5
	5116.	1.	11
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums.			
By a Warrant for half a years Salary to the Governor	£ 1000.	—	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robert Cholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a years Salary	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr Solicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Do	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esqr his Majesty's Attorney General for Ditto	35.	—	—
By a Warrant to Nathl Walthoe Esqr Clerk of the Council for Do	75.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a years Salary	160.	—	—
By a Warrant to John Bell Armourer for Ditto	6.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Do	12.	10.	—
By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court and Assembly	14.	—	—

By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House ..	59.	3.	4
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	1009.	10.	6
By Allowance of ½ p Ct. on £2217.6.10 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	11..	1.	9
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Ct. on £2840.1.4 ...	142.	—.	—
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	142.	—.	—
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to ....£	3516.	5.	7
And there will remain due to Balance this Accot.	1599.	16.	4
£	5116.	1.	11

R.t Corbin D. R. G.

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/I have Examined the within Accot. of his Majestys Revenue Commencing the 25th of October 1763 and ending the 25th of April 1764 and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esqr. Receiver General. and find the same truly Stated, and that there is due to his Majestys Revenue for balance thereof fifteen Hundred ninety nine Pounds sixteen Shillings & four Pence Sterling

John Blair D. Audr.

May 4th 1764

The within Accot. Compared and Examined by John Blair Esqr. Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and sworn to by Richard Corbin Esqr. Receiver General

Fran: Fauquier

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Endorsed Virginia/ Account of His Majestys/ Revenue of 2/ p Hogshead/ from 25 Octr. 1763 to 25/ April 1764 /In Mr. Fauquier's/ Letter of 24 March 1765/ Read August 9. 1766./ L. 41 11

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The Accot. of his Majestys Revenue of 2/- p Hogshead v.c Aris-ing within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of April 1764 to the 25th. of Octr. 1764.

The Receiver General doth charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows			
To Balance of the last Accot. . . . . £	1599.	16.	4
The Accot. of the Upper District of James River	1212.	11.	11
The Accot. of the Lower District of James River	341.	2.	4
The Accot. of the District of York River	963.	15.	—
The Accot. of the District of Rappahannock River	1049.	13.	—
The Accot. of the District of South Potomack	385.	6.	6
The Accot. of the Port of Accomack	40.	11.	7
The Accot. of sundry Rights of Land sold	240.	2.	3
The Accot. of Fines and Forfeitures	23.	4.	—
£	5856.	2.	11
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums			
By a Warrant for half a years Salary to the Governor £	1000.	—	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Judges and other Officers of a Court of Oyer and Terminer	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robert Cholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a years Salary.	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr. Solicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esqr. his Majestys Attor-ney General for Ditto	85.	—	—
By a Warrant to Nathl. Walthoe Esqr. Clerk of the Coun-cil for Ditto	75.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a years Salary.	160.	—	—
By a Warrant to John Bell Armourer for Ditto	6.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	12.	10.	—
By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court	10.	—	—

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By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	274..	3..	5
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	322..	2..	6
By Allowance of ½ pCt. on £3704 . . . . 8 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	18..	10..	5
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Ct. on £4256.. 6.. 7 . . .	212..	16..	4
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum..	212..	16..	4
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to . . . . . £	3188..	19..	—
And there will remain due to Balance this Accot. ..	2667..	3..	11
£	5855..	2..	11

Rd. Corbin DRG.

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I have Examined the within Accot. of his Majesty's Revenue Commencing the 25th of April 1764 and ending the 25th of Octr. 1764 and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esqr. Receiver General and find the same truly Stated and that there is due to his Majesty's Revenue for balance thereof two thousand six hundred sixty seven Pounds three shil-lings and eleven Pence Sterling

John Blair D. Audr.

Novr. 6th. 1764.

The within Accot. Compared and Examined by John Blair Esqr. Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council & Sworn to by Richard Corbin Esqr. Receiver General.

Fran: Fauquier

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Endorsed Virginia/ Account of His Majestys/ Revenue of 2/ p Hogs-head/ from 25 April 1764 to 25/ Octr. following/ In Mr. Fauquiers Letter/ of 27 March 1765/ Read August 9. 1766./ N. 72.

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The Acco.t of his Majesty's Revenue of Quitrents &c. Arising within this Colony of Virginia for the Year 1764

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the receipt of the said Revenue as follows.

To Balance of the last Acco.t ..... £	13340	1	10
To the Quitrents of the Northern Neck for the Year 1764	6	13	4
To the Acco.t of Compositions for Escheated Lands.	....	....	..

Quitrents for the Year 1764.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount.
Amelia	350000	£350 . . .	£35 . . .	£315 . . .
Augusta	100000	100 . . .	10 . . .	90 . . .
Albemarle	140000	140 . . .	14 . . .	126 . . .
Accomack	190000	190 . . .	19 . . .	171 . . .
Amherst	252159	252 . 8 . 2	25 . 4 . 4	226 . 18 . 10
Brunswick	260000	260 . . .	26 . . .	234 . . .
Bedford	.....	.....	.....	.....
Buckingham ...	76000	76 . . .	7 . 12 . .	68 . 8 . .
Caroline	265000	265 . . .	26 . 10 . .	238 . 10 . .
Charles City	95000	95 . . .	9 . 10 . .	85 . 10 . .
Cumberland	304143	304 . 2 . 10	38 . 8 . 3	273 . 14 . 7
Chesterfeild	262232	262 . 4 . 8	26 . 4 . 5	236 . . . 3
Dinwiddie	272150	272 . 3 . .	27 . 4 . 3	244 . 18 . 9
Elizabeth City ...	30000	30 . . .	3 . . .	27 . . .
Essex	90000	90 . . .	9 . . .	81 . . .
Gloucester	170000	170 . . .	17 . . .	153 . . .
Goochland	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hanover	240000	240 . . .	24 . . .	216 . . .
Henrico	121774	121 . 15 . 6	12 . 3 . 6	109 . 12 . .
Hallifax	.....	.....	.....	.....
James City	89368	89 . 7 . 4	8 . 18 . 9	80 . 8 . 7
Isle of Wight ...	.....	.....	.....	.....
King William ...	105000	105 . . .	10 . 10 . .	94 . 10 . .
King & Queen ...	171086	171 . 1 . 9	17 . 2 . 2	153 . 19 . 7
Louisa	237338	237 . 6 . 9	23 . 14 . 8	213 . 12 . 1
Lunenburgh	220000	220 . . .	22 . . .	198 . . .
Middlesex	75383	75 . 7 . 8	7 . 10 . 9	67 . 16 . 11
Nansemond ...	160000	160 . . .	16 . . .	144 . . .
Norfolk	143958	143 . 19 . 2	14 . 7 . 11	129 . 11 . 3
Northampton ...	102867	102 . 7 . 4	10 . 4 . 8	92 . 2 . 8
New Kent	107300	107 . 6 . .	10 . 14 . 7	96 . 11 . 5
Orange	200000	200 . . .	20 . . .	180 . . .
Prince George ...	153869	153 . 7 . 5	15 . 6 . 9	138 . . . 8
Princess Ann ...	130848	130 . 17 . .	13 . 1 . 8	117 . 15 . 4
Prince Edward ..	170000	170 . . .	17 . . .	153 . . .

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount			
Spotsylvania ...	935051	235 . 1 . —	23 . 10 . —	211 . 11 . —			
Surry	133421	133 . 8 . 5	13 . 6 . 10	120 . 1 . 7			
Southampton	280766	280 . 15 . 4	28 . 1 . 6	252 . 13 . 10			
Sussex	70000	70 . — . —	7 . — . —	63 . — . —			
Warwick	43216	43 . 4 . 4	4 . 6 . 5	38 . 17 . 11			
York	35000	35 . — . —	3 . 10 . —	31 . 10 . —	5473.	15.	3
				£	18820.	10.	5

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Arrears of Quitrents paid in the Year 1764.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount			
Augusta 1763	54325	£ 54 . 6 . 6	£ 5 . 8 . 8	£ 48 . 17 . 10			
Albemarle 1763	65000	65 . — . —	6 . 10 . —	58 . 10 . —			
Accomack 1763	98000	98 . — . —	9 . 16 . —	88 . 4 . —			
D° 1762	34554	34 . 11 . 1	3 . 9 . 1	31 . 2 . —			
Brunswick ... 1763	139765	139 . 15 . 4	13 . 19 . 6	125 . 15 . 10			
Bedford 1763	60801	60 . 16 . —	6 . 1 . 7	54 . 14 . 5			
Buckingham 1763	74946	74 . 18 . 11	7 . 9 . 10	67 . 9 . 1			
Caroline 1754	142526	142 . 10 . 6	14 . 5 . —	128 . 5 . 6			
Charles City .. 1763	100567	100 . 11 . 4	10 . 1 . 1	90 . 10 . 3			
Ditto 1760	51210	51 . 4 . 2	5 . 2 . 5	46 . 1 . 9			
Cumberland .. 1763	4717	4 . 14 . 4	9 . 5	4 . 4 . 11			
Goochland ... 1763	142276	142 . 5 . 6	14 . 4 . 6	128 . 1 . —			
Isle of Wight .. 1763	140000	140 . — . —	14 . — . —	126 . — . —			
King William 1763	20000	20 . — . —	2 . — . —	18 . — . —		—	
Louisa 1758	331989	331 . 19 . 10	33 . 3 . 11	298 . 15 . 11			
Lunenburgh .. 1763	120878	120 . 17 . 7	12 . 1 . 9	108 . 15 . 10			
Prince George .. 1753	77859	77 . 17 . 2	7 . 15 . 8	70 . 1 . 6			
Prince Edw? .. 1763	13168	13 . 3 . 4	1 . 6 . 4	11 . 17 . —			
Surry 1763	19685	19 . 13 . 9	1 . 19 . 4	17 . 14 . 5			
Sussex 1763	237031	237 . — . 7	23 . 14 . —	213 . 6 . 7			
York 1762	15000	15 . — . —	1 . 10 . —	13 . 10 . —	1749.	17.	10
Received of sundry Persons in several Counties					37.	1.	1
				£	2060 7.	9.	4

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The Receiver General doth Discharge himself

By paid to the Honble & Reverend Robert Gholmon-deley on his Majestys Warrant one years Allowance ending the 25th of October 1765	£ 150.	—	—
By two Warrants to the Attorney General for one years Salary ending the 25th of October 1765	70.	—	—
By paid to James Abercrombie Esqr on his Majestys Warrant one years Allowance ending the 21st of September 1765	200.	—	—
By Allowance of £20.16.8 p Ct on £7260.14.2 the receipt of this Accot to enable the Re-ceiver General to remet the same to London by bills of Exchange	1512.	12.	11
By Allowance of ½ p Ct for Negociating the Bills of Exchange in London	36.	6.	9
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Ct on £7267.7.6	363.	7.	5
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	363.	7.	5
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to £	2695.	14.	6
And there will remain due to Balance this Accot	17911	14.	10
£	20607	9.	4

Rd Corbin D. R. G.

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I have Examined the within Acco.t of his Majesty's Revenue of Quitrents for the Year 1764 and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esq.r Receiver General and find the Charge thereof amount.ing to twenty thousand six hundred & seven Pounds nine Shillings & four Pence, and the Discharge to two thousand six hundred ninety five Pounds fourteen Shillings & six Pence, both truly Stated; so that there is due to his Ma.jesty's Revenue for balance of this Acco.t seventeen thou.sand nine hundred & eleven Pounds fourteen Shillings & ten Pence Sterl.g

John Blair D. Aud.r

Dec.r 11th 1765

The within Acco.t Compared and Examined by John Blair Esq.r Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Richard Corbin Esq.r Receiver General

Fran.s Fauquier

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Endorsed Virginia/ Account of his Majesty's/ Revenue of Quit Rents re/ for the Year 1764/ In the Lt. Gov.rs Letter/ of 26 July 1766/ Read Nov.r 6. 1766 / L. 74 / 1

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The Acco.t of his Majesty's Revenue of Quitrents &c. Arising within this Colony of Virginia for the Year 1765.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the receipt of the said Revenue as follows

To Balance of the last Acco.t ..... £	1791	14.	10
To the Quitrents of the Northern Neck for the Year 1765...	6..	13..	4
To the Acco.t of Compositions for Escheated Lands	19..	12..	6

Quitrents for the Year 1765.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount.
Amelia	383927	£383 . 18. 6	£38. 7. 10	£345 . 10 . 8
Augusta	220000	£220 . — . —	£22 . — . —	198 . — . —
Albemarle	280000	£280 . — . —	£28 . — . —	252 . — . —
Accomack	.....	.....	.....	.....
Amherst	190000	£190 . — . —	£19 . — . —	171 . — . —
Brunswick	290000	£290 . — . —	£29 . — . —	261 . — . —
Bedford	110000	£110 . — . —	£11 . — . —	99 . — . —
Buckingham ...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Caroline	299043	£299 . — . 10	£29 . 18 . 1	269 . 2 . 9
Charles City	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cumberland ...	295923	£295 . 18 . 6	£29 . 11 . 10	266 . 6 . 8
Chesterfield	253503	£253 . 10 . 1	£25 . 7 . —	228 . 3 . 1
Charlotte	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dinwiddie	254295	£254 . 5 . 11	£25 . 8 . 7	228 . 17 . 4
Elizabeth City ..	31495	£ 31 . 9 . 11	£ 3 . 3 . —	28 . 6 . 11
Essex	130000	£130 . — . —	£13 . — . —	117 . — . —
Gloucester	170000	£170 . — . —	£17 . — . —	153 . — . —
Goochland	136864	£136 . 17 . 3	£13 . 13 . 9	123 . 3 . 6
Hanover	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hearico	127840	£127 . 16 . 10	£12 . 15 . 8	115 . 1 . 2
Halifax	.....	.....	.....	.....
James City ...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Isle of Wight ...	137888	£137 . 17 . 9	£13 . 15 . 9	124 . 2 . —
King William ..	142412	£142 . 8 . 3	£14 . 4 . 10	128 . 3 . 5
King & Queen ...	120000	£120 . — . —	£12 . — . —	108 . — . —
Louisa	224032	£224 . — . 8	£22 . 8 . —	201 . 12 . 8
Lunenburgh ...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Middlesex	75821	£75 . 16 . 5	£7 . 11 . 8	68 . 4 . 9
Mecklenburg ...	227391	£227 . 7 . 10	£22 . 14 . 9	204 . 13 . 1
Nansemond ...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Norfolk	145390	£145 . 7 . 10	£14 . 10 . 9	130 . 17 . 1
Northampton ...	103630	£103 . 12 . 7	£10 . 7 . 3	93 . 5 . 4
New Kent ...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orange	150000	£150 . — . —	£15 . — . —	135 . — . —
Prince George	85000	£ 85 . — . —	£ 8 . 10 . —	76 . 10 . —

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs allowances	Amount			
Princess Ann ...	130056	£130 . 1 . 1	£13 . — . . 1	117 . . 1 . . —			
Prince Edward . .	140000	£140 . — . . —	£14 . — . . —	153 . — . . —			
Spotsylvania	235744	£235 . 15 . 6	£23 . 11 . 7	212 . 3 . 11			
Surry	134286	£137 . 5 . 9	£13 . 14 . 7	123 . 11 . 2			
Southampton . . .	260000	£260 . . . —	£26 . . — . . —	234 . — . . —			
Sussex	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .			
Warwick	43148	£43 . 3 . —	£4 . 6 . 4	38 . 16 . 8			
York	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	5004	13	2
					22942	13	10

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Arrears of Quitrents Paid in the Year 1765.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs allowances	Amount			
Amelia 1764	25440	£25 . 8 . . 10	£2 . . 10 . 10	£22 . 18 . —			
Ditto 1763	. . . 661	£ . . . . 13 . 2	£ . . . . 1 . . 4	. . . . . 11 . 10			
Augusta 1764	290000	£290 . — . . —	£29 . — . . —	261 . — . . —			
Albemarle 1764	90000	£90 . — . . —	£9 . — . . —	81 . — . . —			
Ditto 1763	36125	£36 . 2 . 6	£3 . 12 . 3	32 . 10 . 3			
Brunswick . . . 1764	79353	£79 . 7 . 1	£7 . 18 . 8	71 . . 8 . 5			
Bedford 1764	156946	£156 . 18 . 11	£15 . 13 . 10	141 . 5 . 1			
Buckingham 1764	144620	£144 . 12 . 5	£14 . . 9 . 3	130 . 3 . 2			
Carolina 1764	36902	£36 . 18 . . —	£3 . . 13 . . 9	33 . 4 . 3			
Elizabeth City 1764	. . 1502	£ 1 . 10 . . —	£ . . . 3 . . —	1 . 7 . —			
Goochland . . . 1764	136546	£136 . 10 . 11	£13 . 13 . 1	122 . 17 . 10			
Isle of Wight . . 1764	80000	£80 . — . . —	£8 . — . . —	72 . — . . —			
King William . . 1764	38725	£38 . 14 . 6	£3 . 17 . 5	34 . 17 . 1			
Lunenburg . . . 1764	352337	£352 . 6 . 9	£35 . 4 . 8	317 . 2 . 1			
Ditto 1753	80000	£80 . — . . —	£8 . — . . —	72 . — . . —			
Orange 1764	36483	£36 . 9 . 8	£3 . 12 . 11	32 . 16 . 9			
Ditto 1762	163880	£163 . 17 . 7	£16 . 7 . 9	147 . 9 . 10			
Prince Edward 1764	27995	£27 . 19 . 11	£2 . 16 . —	25 . 3 . 11			
Sussex 1764	140000	£140 . — . . —	£14 . — . . —	126 . — . . —	1725 . 15 .		6
Received of Sundry Persons in several Counties					74 . 7 .		2
				£	24742 . 16 .		6

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The Receiver General doth Discharge himself

By paid to the Honourable and Reverend Robert Cholmondeley on his Majestys Warrant one Years Allowance ending the 25th of October 1766	£ 150.	—	—
By paid to James Abercrombie Esqr. on his Majesty's Warrant one Years Allowance the 21st September 1766	200.	—	—
By paid to Mr. Commissary Robinson on his Majestys Warrant five Years six Months and 7 days Salary at £100 p Annum from the 18th day of April 1761 to the 25th of October 1766	551.	18.	4
By two Warrants to the Attorney General for one Years Salary ending the 25th of October 1766...	70.	—	—
By his Majestys Warrant dated at St. James, the 6th day of Decr. 1765 for paying to Charles Lowndes Esqr. or his Assigns	7000.	—	—
By his Majesty's Warrant dated at St. James the 28th day of Febry 1766 for paying to Capel Han: bury Esqr. or his Assigns.....	865.	—	—
By Allowance of ½ p Ct. for Negotiating the Bills of Exchange in London	34.	8.	1
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Ct. on £6831. 1. 8	341.	11.	1
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	341.	11.	1
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to ....£	9554.	3.	7
And there will remain due to Balance this Acco:	15188.	12.	11
£	24742.	16.	6

Rd. Corbin D. R. G.

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I have Examined the within Acco^{t} of his Majestys Revenue of Quitrents for the year 1765 and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esq^{r} Receiver General and find the Charge thereof amounting to twenty four Thousand seven hundred forty two Pounds sixteen Shillings and six Pence and the Discharge to nine Thousand five hundred fifty four Pounds three Shillings and seven Pence both truly Stated So that there is due to his Majesty's Revenue for Balance of this Acco^{t} fifteen thousand one hundred eighty eight Pounds twelve Shillings & eleven Pence Sterling

John Blair. D. Aud^{r}

Dec^{r} 12th. 1766

The within Acco^{t} Compared and Examined by John Blair Esq^{r} Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Richard Corbin Receiver General

Fran: Fauquier

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The Acco.t of His Majestys Revenue of 2.d p Hogshead v.e Arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of April 1765 to the 25th of Oct.r following

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows			
To Balance of the last Acco.t ..... £	1792 ..	10 .	8
The Acco.t of the Upper District of James River	1449 .	12 .	6
The Acco.t of the Lower District of James River	342 ..	10 .	—
The Acco.t of the District of York River	969 ..	14 .	6
The Acco.t of the District of Rappahannock River	1008 ..	3 ..	1
The Acco.t of the District of South Potomack	492 ..	5 .	11
The Acco.t of the Port of Accomack	.....	...	...
The Acco.t of sundry Rights of Land sold	306 .	8 .	—
The Acco.t of Fines and Forfeitures	23 ..	10 .	4
Received for a Judgment ag.t Capt M.r Taggart for the Port duties of his Vessel	14 .	17 .	—
£	6341 ..	17 .	3

The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums.

By a Warrant for half a years Salary to the Governor	£ 1000 .	— .	—
By a Warrant for D.o to the Gentlemen of the Council	600 .	— .	—
By a Warrant to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer	100 .	— .	—
By a Warrant to the Honourable & Reverend Robert Chol. mondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a years Salary	50 .	— .	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esq.r Solicitor of the Virginia Affairs for D.o	100 .	— .	—
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esq.r his Majestys Attorney General for D.o	35 .	— .	—
By a Warrant to Nathaniel Walthoe Esq.r Clerk of the Council for Ditto	75 .	— .	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a year Salary	160 .	— .	—
By a Warrant to John Bell Armourer for D.o	6 .	— .	—

By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for D.:	12..	10..	—
By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court and Assembly	18..	—..	—
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	304..	5..	10
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	850..	19..	—
By Allowance of ½ p Ct. on £ 3551.. 16.. 9 for Negociating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	14..	16..	2
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p Ct. on £ 4609.. 1.. 4	230..	9..	1
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	230..	9..	1
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to £	3493..	8..	2
And there will remain due to Balance this Acco.t	2548..	9..	1
£	6041..	17..	3

R.d Corbin D. R. G.

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I have Examined the within Acco.t of his Majesty's Revenue commencing the 25th of April 1765 and ending the 25th of October following and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esq.r Rec.r General and find the same truly Stated, and that there is due to his Majesty's Revenue for Balance thereof two thousand five hundred forty eight Pounds nine shillings & one Penny Sterling

John Blair D. Aud.r

Nov.r 4th 1765

The within Acco.t Compared and Examined by John Blair Esq.r Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Richard Corbin Esq.r Receiver General.

Fran.s Fauquier

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Endorsed Virginia/ Account of his Majesty's/ Revenue of 2s p Hogshead re./ from 25 April 1765 to 25/ October following / In the L.d Gov.r Letter/ of 26 July 1766. / 2

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The Accot of his Majesty's Revenue of 2/ p Hogshead vt Anis-
-ing within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of October
1765 to the 25th of April 1766

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows.			
To Balance of the last Accot ..... £	2548.	9.	1
The Accot of the Upper District of James River	768.	7.	2
The Accot of the Lower District of James River	401.	18.	5
The Accot of the District of York River	218.	8.	—
The Accot of the District of Rappahannock River	314.	4.	—
The Accot of the District of South Potomack	151.	6.	11
The Accot of the Port of Accomack	50.	15.	10
The Accot of sundry Rights of Land sold	39.	4.	—
The Accot of Fines and Forfeitures	12.	6.	5
£	4505.	2.	10
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums.			
By a Warrant for half a Years Salary to the Governor £	1000.	—	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Judges, Clerks & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Honble & Reverend Robert Chol-mondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a Years Salary	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esqr Solicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esqr his Majestys Attorney General for Ditto	35.	—	—
By a Warrant to Nathl Walthoe Esqr Clerk of the Council for Do	75.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutant for half a Years Salary	160.	—	—
By a Warrant to John Bell Armourer for Ditto	6.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	12.	10.	—

By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court	8..	—.	—
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	82..	18..	11
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	390.	5..	3
By Allowance of ½ p^{ct}. on £1448.. 19..7 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	7..	4..	10
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 p^{ct}. on £1956.. 13.. 9	97..	16..	8
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	97..	16..	8
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to ..... £	2822..	12..	4
And there will remain due to Balance this Acco^{t}..	1682..	10..	6
£	4505..	2..	10

R^{d}. Corbin D. R. G.

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I have Examined the within Acco^{t}. of his Majesty's Revenue Commencing the 25th of October 1765 and ending the 25th of April 1766, and have compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esq^{r}. Receiver General and find the same truly Stated and that there is due to his Majesty's Revenue for balance thereof one thousand six hundred eighty two Pounds ten Shillings and six Pence Sterling

John Blair D. Aud^{r}.

May 3^{d}. 1766,

The within Acco^{t}. Compared and Examined by John Blair Esq^{r}. Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Richard Corbin Esq^{r}. Receiver General.

Fran: Fauquier

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Endorsed Virginia | Account of his Majesty's | Revenue of 2/- p^{r}. Hogs. head &c. | from 25 Oct^{r}. 1765 to 25 April | 1766. | In the L^{d}. Gov^{rs}. Letter | of 26 July 1766. | L. 45. |

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To the King's most excellent Majesty

Most gracious Sovereign

Permit your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Sub.
-jects, the Burgesses of your antient Colony of Virginia met in General Assembly, to approach your Throne and most humbly to represent

That by Instructions from your Majesty's royal Grandfather, of glorious Memory, to his Governor of this Dominion, and by several Acts of the General Assembly, encouragements were given to Persons who should settle to the Westward of the Ridge of Mount.
-ains dividing the Rivers Roanoake, James, and Potow.
-mack from the Waters of the Mississippi; as by the peopling of that Country, not only the Export Trade to Great Britain, especially in Naval Stores, would be greatly encreased, but a strong Barrier would be formed against the Incursions of the Indians and other Enemies in time of War; and thereby the in.
-ternal peace of this Colony, and the other Parts of your Majesty's Dominions in America, would be se.
-cured to them.

That in consequence of those encouragements, many of your Majesty's Subjects obtained Grants for Lands in that Country, and settled themselves at great expence and labour, but were driven off from their Estates in the late War by the Invasions of your

Majesty's Enemies. That upon the reestablishment of Peace, those People were desirous to return to their former Habitations, but were prevented by the Govern.-or's Proclamation issued in consequence of your Ma.-jesty's Instruction, forbidding Settlements to be made within those Limits.

We humbly beg leave to presume it was not Your Majesty's royal Intention to restrain the Proprie.-tors of Land in that part of the Country, from re.-
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-possessing / themselves of those Estates which had been legally granted to them, and from which they had been driven by a cruel and savage Enemy, since in our humble Opinion, such a Restriction would not be con.-sistent with the publick Faith engaged by your royal Grandfather's Instructions to his Governour, and the Laws of this Colony; but was intended only to prevent future Grants, and irregular Settlements of those Lands.

As We think it our indispensable duty to lay before your Majesty the State of the Colony when it's essential Interest requires it, We humbly hope that We shall obtain your royal Indulgence when We give it as our Opinion, that it will be for your Majesty's Service, and the Interest of your American Dominions in General, to continue the Encouragements for settling those Frontier Lands which are not claimed by any Tribe of Indians, were ceded to your Majesty's Crown

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by the Indians at the Treaty of Lancaster in the Year 1744, and that Treaty confirmed by the said Indians at the Treaty at Log's Town in the year 1752.

By this Means the former Proprietors will be restored to their Estates in those Lands and new Settle-ments made by People of Property, obedient Subjects to Government, but if the present Restriction should con-tinue, We have the Strongest Reason to believe that Country will become the Resort of Fugitives and Vaga-bonds, Defyers of Law and Order, and who in time may form a body dangerous to the peace and civil Government of this Colony.

We therefore most humbly submit this State of the Colony to your royal Consideration, and rely upon your paternal Favour for such Relief and Di-rections thereupon, as you in your great Wisdom, shall think most beneficial for your Majesty's Interest, and [p. 33] the Happiness of your People here.

Peyton Randolph Speaker

Endorsed

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Endorsed Virginia. / Letter from the Earl / of Hillsborough dated / May 17. 1768, referring / to the Board an Ad- / dress / to the King from the / House of Burgesses of / Virginia relative to / Settlements proposed to / be made to the westward / of the Great Mountains; / and signify- / ing His Majesty's / commands, that they / report their opinion, how / far it may be reasonable / & proper to com- / ply with / what is requested in the / said Address.

Rec^d May 18 } 1768. / A. a. 12.
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At the Council Chamber Whitehall
the 20th day of November 1769

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By the Right Honble the Lords of the
Committee of Council for Plantation Affairs

His Majesty having been pleased by his order in Council of the 4th of August last, to refer unto this Committee, the humble petition of Thomas Walpole and others whose Names are thereunto Subscribed, on behalf of themselves and others their Associates, Set-ting forth amongst other things, that they are desirous of purchasing from His Majesty, two Mil-lions four hundred thousand Acres of Land, being part of a large Tract, lying on the back of the Colony of Virginia in North America, which the Chiefs of the six United Nations, and other Depend-ant Tribes of Indians, have sold and Conveyed to His Majesty; and humbly praying that His Majesty will be graciously pleased, to Grant them the Lands aforementioned, in such manner, and upon such Terms, as are particularly mentioned in their said petition_ The Lords of the Committee this Day took the same into Consideration, and are hereby pleased to refer the said petition (a Copy whereof is hereunto annexed) to the Lords Commissioners for

Trade and plantations to consider thereof and Re.
-port their opinion thereupon to this Committee

W: Blair

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[Copy of Walpole's petition is annexed. It has been transcribed from the original in the Privy Council Papers.]

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Endorsed Virginia | Order of the Lords of the | Committee of Council for | plantation Affairs, dated | Nov: 20. 1769. referring to this | Board, for their consideration | & report, the petition of | Thomas Walpole & others | praying the King to grant | to them, in the manner & | on the terms mentioned | there. -in, 2400 Acres | of Land, part of a tract | lying on the back of | Virginia, conveyed to His | Majesty by the Chiefs of | the Six Nations & other | dependant tribes of Indians |

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At the Council Chamber Whitehall
the 20th day of November 1769

By the Right Honourable the Lords of the
Committee of Council for plantation Affairs.

His Majesty having been pleased by his Order in Council of the 4th of August last, to refer unto this Committee, the humble petition of Nathaniel Falconer, George Allen, Robert Burdy, William Gallaher and John Little, on behalf of themselves and others their Associates, Setting forth, amongst other things, that they are desirous of purchasing from Your Majesty, two hundred thousand Acres of Land, being part of a large Tract on the back of the Colony of Viriginia in North America, which the Chiefs of the Six united Nations have Sold and Released to His Majesty, and humbly praying, that his Majesty will be pleased to grant them the Land aforementioned, in such manner and upon such Terms, as are particularly mentioned in their said petition_ The Lords of the Committee this Day took the same into Consideration, and are hereby pleased to refer the said Petition, (a Copy whereof is hereunto annexed) to the Lords Commissioners for Trade and plantations, to Coneider

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thereof and Report their Opinion thereupon to this Committee—

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To the Kings most Excellent Majesty in Council

The humble petition of Nathaniel Falconer George Allen Robert Burdy William Gallachar and John Little on behalf of themselves and others their Associates.—

Sheweth,

That there is a very large Tract of Land lying on the back of the Colony of Virginia in North America which the Chiefs of the Six united Nations have by Deed bearing Date the fifth Day of November 1768 bargained sold and released to Your Majesty -

That Your petitioners are desirous of purchasing from Your Majesty two hundred thousand Acres part of the said Tract and will pay for the same such Consideration and be Subject to such Quit Rents as shall be thought reasonable so soon as the same shall be Surveyed and the Boundary Line of the aforesaid Tract shall be finally Settled between Your Majesty and the said Six Nations —

That Your petitioners humbly propose That a Grant for the said Two hundred Thousand Acres shall be made to them and their Heirs and Assigns and that in such Grant shall be particularly des- -cribed the several and respective Boundarys and

Limits within which the said two hundred thou.
-sand Acres shall be contained so as to render
the Location thereof fixed and Certain.

That Your petitioners being therefore willing
[1.2pg] /to purchase Lands on the Continent of America and
to make a Settlement there which it is Apprehended
will be of great Emolument to Government in point
of Revenue and to Great Britain in point of Com.
-merce as being a Frontier towards the Indians with
whom your petitioners promise themselves they shall
be able to Cultivate and Secure in the most Effec.
-tual manner a Continuance of peace and Harmony
and by a more advanced Situation be Enabled to
Extend the Indian Trade to more remote and Numerous
Nations Wherefore they humbly hope that this their
undertaking will meet with Your Majestys Royal
Encouragement by making the Grant of the
said Lands free from the payment of Quit
Rents for the space of Twenty Years from the
Date of the Grant.—

Your petitioners therefore humbly
pray that Your Majesty will be
pleased to take the premises into
Your Royal Consideration and to
Grant unto them such Lands
as aforesaid in such manner

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and upon such Terms as are
herein before proposed —

Nath.l Falconer
Geo : Allen
Robt Burdy
Will.m Gallachar
John Little.

London 24th. July 1769.

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Endorsed Virginia./ Order of the Lords of the/ Com.
.mittee of Council for/ plantation-Affairs, dated/ Nov.r
20. 1769, referring to/ this Board, for their consideration
& report, the/ petition of Nathaniel/ Falconer & others, pray.
.ing/ that the King would grant/ to them, in the
manner &/ on the terms mentioned/ therein, 200,000 Acres
of/ land, part of a large tract/ lying on the back
of Virginia,/ conveyed to his Majesty by/ the Chiefs of
the six united/ Nations of Indians./ N.o A.a 57./(2)/

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Read Dec.r 13 } 1769.

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At the Council Chamber Whitehall
the 20th of Novr 1769

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By the Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Council for Planta.tion Affairs./-

His Majesty having been pleased, by his Order in Council of the 12th of December 1769, to refer unto this Committee, the Memorial of George Mercer, on be.half of the Ohio Company in Virginia, setting forth, amongst other things, that his late Majesty having grant.ed to the said Company certain tracts of Land on the River Ohio, who have been at great trouble and expence in endeavouring to cultivate and Settle the same; And therefore humbly praying, that His Majesty will be graciously pleased to take their case into consideration, and to order, that their Grant may be renewed, that they may undertake their Settlements agreably to their former engagements, or that His Majesty would be graciously pleased to recom.mend it to Parliament to make provision to re.imburse the Company the great expences they have incurred, or to be otherwise relieved in the premises. The Lords of the Committee this day took the same into consideration, and are hereby pleased to refer

the said Memorial (a copy whereof is hereunto annex-
-ed) to the Lords Commissioners for Trade & Plantations,
to consider the same, and Report their opinion there-
-upon to this Committee./

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To the Kings most Excellent Majesty in Council

The Memorial of George Mercer on be.
-half of the Ohio-Company in Virginia, &c.

Most humbly Sheweth

That, in the Year 1765, your Memorialist, as Agent for the said Company, presented a Memorial, which your Majesty in Council, was graciously pleas.
-ed, to refer to the Right Honble the Lords Commis.
-sioners for Trade and plantations: and your Me.
-morialist humbly begs leave, to refer to their Lord.
-ships Report, of the 16th of June last, on the said Memorial.—

That your Memorialist being Informed, per.
-mission will be given to your Majestys Subjects, to settle on the Waters of the Mississippi, and the interior parts of North America, humbly conceives, the reference then recommended, by their Lordships to be made, to the Governor of Virginia, is become less necessary, their Lordships having Assigned, as the chief Reason for this reference, their own Inability, at that time, to determine, as to the Expediency of a Settlement in that County. That being no longer a Subject of Deliberation, and your Memorialist think.
-ing himself, now, fully prepared, to Answer every other Objection, which then Occurred to their Lordships,

and he begs leave to say, the Governor of Virginia's Report must Confirm his Information, presumes, on behalf of the Company, to renew their Claim, to the Lands Granted them, by your Majesty's late Grand-father, which they, at the Treaty of Log's Town in June 1752, obtained the permission of the six Nations to Settle, and on which, they had really established, several ffamilies, before the last War.—

[f. 302] /Your Memorialist presumes to Inform your Majesty, that the first Actual Survey of that Country, was made at the Company's Expence, and that the Road from Willis's Creek to the Ohio, the Route of your Majesty's Troops in 1754 & 1755, was not only traced out, but Compleated, entirely at the Companys Charge; that the Company had Built strong Houses, to Secure the Communication, from the River Potomack to the Ohio, which were used as Magazines for your Majesty's Stores, and some of them afterwards destroyd by the Regular Forces, to Erect Stronger ffortifications.—

That your Memorialist is encouraged to hope, the Ohio Company, who were the very first Adventurers, & have Expended, so large a Sum of Money, upwards of 14 Years since, on a Settlement begun under the Sanction of Government, will not be prevented, from prosecuting their Design, while others of your Majesty's Subjects, who have lately only formed their Scheme, enjoy the

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benefit of the Compt. Labour, and Discoveries, especially when it is considered, of what great Advantage, their Settlement must be, as well to those now proposed, in the Interior parts of North America, or which may hereafter be judged necessary to establish, as to those provinces already very populous; To the former of these, it would be a Support, and at the same time, secure to them, the safest, and shortest Communication, that can ever be formd, and through which only, the Manufactures of Great Britain can, at a moderate Ex-pence, be Transported to the Missisippi, as the whole passage from the Navigable part of Potomack River, [f. 203] including 50 Miles / Land Carriage by the Ohio Com-panys Road, may be performed in three weeks; and to the latter it would soon become a strong Barrier, and the Surest protection from the Indian Incur-sions, which so greatly distressed your Majestys Sub-jects, on the Frontiers of Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia, during the late War.

Your Memorialist therefore most humbly prays, Your Majesty would be graciously pleased, to take the Case of the Ohio Company into your Royal Consideration, and order, that their grant may be renewed; that they may un-dertake their Settlemt. agreeable to their form-er Engagements, with Government, at the

same time, your Majesty's other Subjects are permitted to pursue their plan, that the Com.-pany may enjoy in Common with them, the Advantage of their own discoveries and Labour, or that your Majesty, would be graciously pleased, to recommend it to the parliament, to make provision to reimburse the Company, the great Expences they have Incurred, and of which the publick have enjoyed all the Benefit, as they greatly forward the Expeditions carried on by your Majesty's Regular Troops on that Quarter; or such other Relief, as your Majesty in your Royal Wisdom, shall judge best.—

And your Memorialist will ever most humbly pray—

George Mercer

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Endorsed Virginia./Order of the Lords of the/Committee of Council for/plantation-affairs, dated/Nov^r 20. 1769, referr:-ing to/this Board, for their consideration & report, the/petition of George Mercer/in behalf of the Ohio/Company, praying that/the King would renew the/grant made by his late/Majesty to them of certain/lands lying on the back of/Virginia; or recommend to/the parliament to pro-vide for/the reimbursement of their/expences; or give such other/relief as His Majesty shall/judge best/A.a.58./ Rec^d Nov^r 22 1769 Read Janry 3 1770.

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To The Right Honorable The Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations,

The Memorial of George Mercer, on Behalf of The Ohio Company.

Humbly Sheweth

That, the said Company have expended a large Sum of Money, in Consequence of his late Majesty's Royal Instruction, to his Lieutenant Governor of Virginia, dated the 16th of March 1748, directing a Grant, or Grants to be made to Them, of 500,000 Acres of Land, on the Waters of the Ohio, within certain Limits, and on certain Conditions therein mentioned: But have been prevented by sundry Acts of Government, and particularly, His Majesty's Royal Proclamation of October the 7th 1763, from prosecuting their Design, or Schemes of Settlement.

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/That your Memorialist is informed there are sundry Petitions preferred to your Lordships, praying Grants of Land on the Ohio and its Waters, (even the Names of which were not known to the Public, till a Chart of that Country was made at the Company's Expence) which he imagines may interfere with the Grant, ordered by his late Majesty, to the Ohio Company.

Your Memorialist therefore most humbly

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prays your Lordships, not to make any Grant
within the Limits prescribed by the Royal In-
-struction, to the Company; as they are, and
have ever been willing, and desirous to pro-
-ceed in their Undertaking, and fulfil their
Engagements to Government. And that no un-
-necessary Delay may be offered to the Petition-
-ers on Behalf of the Ohio Company, your
[p.309] Memorialist begs Leave humbly to represent that
he is fully prepared, whenever your Lordships
shall be pleased to command him, to justify
the Companys Pretensions, and shew that they
have, through no Neglect on their Part, been
delayed upwards of twenty Years, from exe-
-cuting a Plan which would have contributed
as much to the public, as their own private Interest.

And your Memorialist will most
humbly pray &c &c

Geo. Mercer

December the 18th 1769.—

[p.310] Endorsed Virginia/ Memorial of George Mercer/ Esqr. on
behalf of the Ohio/ Company, to this Board,/ dated Decr. 18.
1769, praying/ their Lordships not to/ recommend the making/
of any grant to other/ persons within the limits/ prescrib-
-ed by the Royal/ Instruction to the said Company./
A. a. 59./ Recd Decr. 22. 1769./ Read Janry 3. 1770.

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Treasury Chambers
13th January 1770.

Sir,

I am commanded by My Lords Commrs. of His Majesty's Treasury to transmit to You copy of a minute of their board in order that it may be laid before the Earl of Hillsborough; And I am to desire You to move His Lordship, and the Board of Trade to give My Lords the information they want respect.ing the Quit rents.

I am.

Sir,

Your most Obedient
Humble Servant.
Grey Cooper.

John Pownall Esqr.

[f. 314]

Endorsed Virginia/ Letter from Grey Cooper/ Esqr Secry to/ the Lords of/ the Treasury, to the Secry/ to this Board, dated/ Janry 13, 1770, transmitting ...
A. a. 60/ Rec.d Janry 13. } 1770./ 1 paper.
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Whitehall Treasury Chambers 4th Janry 1770

Present,

The Duke of Grafton,

Lord North,

Mr. Onslow

Mr. Jenkinson.

Mr. Walpole, Mr. Serjant, D. Franklin, and Mr. Whar-
-ton attend to make proposals on behalf of them-
-selves and their Associates for the purchase of a cer-
-tain tract of land in North America, being part
of the land lately sold to the King at Fort Stan-
-wix by the six Indian Nations.

They are called in, and acquaint My Lords
that some time since they presented to His Majesty
in Council a Petition praying a grant of such lands,
which Petition stands referred to the Earl of Hills-
-borough and the Lords Commrs for Trade and Plan-
-tations, and is now before them for their considera-
-tion, and that previous to any report to be made
thereon They have been directed to make application
to this board in respect to the price to be paid
for the purchase of such lands —

They deliver a Memorial and Paper contain-
-ing a description of the lands which they are de-
-sirous of purchasing, and for which they offer
to pay the sum of £10,460 : 7 : 3 being the whole

of the money paid by Government to the six nations
[1 sd.] for all the / lands so purchased, and also a Quitrent
of two Shillings for every hundred Acres of culti-
-vable land, within the said tract.

My Lords take the said Memorial and Paper into consideration, and in case the other Departments of his Majesty's Government, who are the proper Judges of the policy of the grant applied for by the Me-
-morialists, shall approve thereof; Their Lordships agree to the price offered to be paid for the purchase of the said lands. But with respect to the Quit rents proposed to be reserved, and the periods at which they should commence, my Lords postpone any de-
-cision thereon, til they receive information from Lord Hillsborough, and the Board of Trade what Quit rents are reserved on grants in his Majesty's Colonies which lie nearest to the lands in question, and from what periods after the grants such Quit rents com-
-mence respectively.

[1 sd.]
Endorsed Virginia / Copy of a Treasury Minute / of 2d Janry 1770 upon a / Memorial of Messrs / Walpole, Sargant, / Franklin, & Wharton / In Mr. Cooper's / Letter of 13 Janry 1770 / A.a.61. / Read Janry 17. 1770.

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To the Right Honble, the Lords Commissr:, of Trade & Plantations.

The Petition of Arthur Lee, Agent for certain Inhabitants of Great Britain, Virginia & Maryland.

Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner presented to this Honble Board, a Petition in behalf of sundry Inhabitants of Great Britain, Virginia and Maryland; praying a Grant of Lands on the back of His [torn away] Colony & Dominions of Virginia, between the 38th & 42d [torn away] North Latitude

That your Petitioners therein prayed for that Gr[torn away] terms of paying Quit Rent; which were the only terms then known, on which Lands in America were Granted.

But Your Petitioner understands, that there is a new Mode of making such Grants, now under the contemplation of this Honble Board; in consequence of two Petitions, for making an entire purchase from the Crown of those Lands.

Your Petitioner therefore in behalf of those Petitioners, humbly prays this Honble Board, that in consideration of their having first shewn their zeal for promoting His Majesties Service & the Settling

those Lands; the Tract of Land, specified in their Petition, may not be Granted away to any other Person or Persons, till they are apprized of the terms, on which His Majesty will be graciously pleased to make them the Grant.

And your Petitioner, as in Duty bound, shall ever pray

Arthur Lee. Agent.

Jan^{y} 24th 1770.

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Endorsed Virginia/ Petition of D^{r} Arthur/ Lee, Agent for certain/ Inhabitants of Great Britain,/ Virginia & Mary-land,/ to the Board, dated Jan^{y}/ 24. 1770,/ A a. 62./ Rec^{d} Jan^{y} 9

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To the Rt Honble Lords Comissrs for Trade and Plan-
-tations.—

The humble Petition of Edward Montagu
Agent for Virginia

Sheweth

That your Petitioner is informd "an Appli-
-cation has been made to the Rt Honble Lords of Trea-
-sury for a Grant of certain Lands in, & part of
his Majestys Colony and Dominion of Virginia.—"
That the Consideration tenderd to their Lordships is
satisfactory & "that such Proposition is referd to
your Lordships for your Deliberation as to the Policy
& Expediency of such a Measure; & "whether it may
not be necessary to sever such Lands from the said
Colony & erect a new & distinct Government thereof."—

That your Petitr is advised that no less
than One Million three hundred & fifty thousand
Acres of such Land have already been granted;
partly to a Society of Gentlemen called the Ohio
Company; & partly to Individuals of that Colony.
who caused the same to be surveyed, & before the
Comencement of the late War had made some Pro-
-gress in the Setling & Cultivation thereof; but hav-
-ing been driven from their Possessions by the In-
-dians, & since restrained from returning by his
Majestys Proclamation, they have not yet been

restored to their just Rights.

That your Petr conceiving his Constituents to-
tally ignorant of such Application to the Lords of
Treasury, & that their Lordships are uninformd of the
circumstances above stated, humbly submits it to
your Lordships Wisdom & Justice whether, before any
farther Proceedings are had on the Subject referd
[p. 2d] to yr Lordships, the Colony of Virginia should/not
have Notice, & Time given, to offer such Objections as
may seem agt the Completition of such Grant.

Your Petr therefore humbly prays
your Lordps will represent to yr Lds
of Treasury that it seems reason-
-able & just the Colony of Virginia
should have Advice of an Applica-
-tion which if approved would be
attended with a Severance of so
large a part of its Dominion & af-
-fect the Rights of Many, who, un-
-der Grants already obtaind, con-
-ceive themselves entitled to so large
a Portion of the Lands applyd for.

Edwd Montagu

[Endorsed]

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At the Council Chamber Whitehall
the 10th day of February 1770

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By the Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Council for Plan:tation Affairs.

His Majesty having been pleased by his Order in Council of the 5th of January last, to refer unto this Committee the Memorial of Edward Bell, humbly praying, for the Reasons therein con:tained, that his Majesty will be graciously pleas:ed to Grant to the Memorialist One hundred thou:sand Acres of Land in the province of Virginia on the Ohio River between two of its Branches, the one called Togohedge and the other the New River and also twenty thousand Acres of Land between Rockey River and Hockhocking River in the said province upon the Terms therein mentioned The Lords of the Committee in Obedience to His Majestys said Order of Reference this Day took the said Memorial, and Case of the Me:morialist into their Consideration, and are here:by pleased to refer the same (Copies whereof are hereunto Annexed) to the Lords Commis:sioners for Trade and plantations to Consider

the same and Report their Opinion thereupon to this Committee—

Steph: Cottrell

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To the Kings most Excellent Majesty in Council.

The humble Memorial of Edward Bell Sheweth.

That your Majestys most Loyal and Duti-ful Subject and Memorialist was in the late war in a place of Trust wherein he had the satisfac-tion to be serviceable to his Country in making div-ers Savings and also in Serving and Supplying your Majesty's army whereby it became relieved when in want and no other person found to give it so immediate a Relief and Subsistence whence he had the Honor to stand recommended to and be approv-ed of by the Right Honble General Conway who kind-ly Recommended him to Lord Rockingham when it was his Lordships Pleasure to Grant him a Tem-porary small Assistance which being thought an inadequate Compensation it was signified some thing better should be done for him. —

That Your Majesty's most loyal Subject has not yet had any thing further done for him and that through the want of Parliamentary Interest and having nothing but his Zeal and Loyalty to his Gracious Sovereign (with the Little Service he has been able to do) to recommend him stands in need of some provision (all which will more fully and at

large appear by his Case and Testimonies hereunto annexed)

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And Whereas your Majesty Grants Lands in Virginia upon the Fine of Five pounds p thousand Acres Called Composition Money to Subjects who have not Distinguished themselves by any Service rendered to Your Majesty. Your Majesty's most Loyal subject ever ready to throw his Life at his Sovereigns ffeet when any duty shall require and which this Your Majes.-tys Royal Grant will Evidently give him an Opper.-tunity of doing Most Humbly Prays & beseeches your Majesty's Royal Favour of a Grant of 100,000 Acres of waste Land upon the usual Terms and Conditions, only free of the s^d Composition Money; the said Lands to be situated among the back Lands in your Majes.-tys Dominion of Virginia on the Ohio River between two of its Branches, the one called the Hogohege and the other the New River; with Your Majesty's Royal Leave to lay the said Lands out in Different Tracts not less than 10,000 Acres in Each Tract — And also 20,000 Acres between the Rockey River and Hockhocking River.

That it may please Your Majesty the said Lands shall be settled within the usual time, paying at the Expiration thereof the Customary proportion of Quit Rents in the said Dominion of Virginia, which Settlement must be very Essential and of Great Advantage

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to Your Majestys said Dominion of Virginia, it being Situated between Two Settlements late in the possession of the ffrench Viz.t - the Illenoys and Fort Detroitt - which when / Intercepted by a third Settlement of Your Majestys Subjects will hinder a Communication of Infinite Consequence. [1.25]

That the said Settlements have now an open and ffree Passage and Communication with each other wch in Case of War might Joyn, Assisted by the Indians and be very Detrimental to Your Majestys s.d Dominion of Virginia. —

That your Majestys most Loyal Subject will by Your Majestys Royal Grant of the said Lands be enabled by such Settlement thereon not only to find Men for Your Majestys Service, but also to Supply Your Majestys Adjacent Forts and Castles, as may be in want of Provisions 20 p Cent Cheaper than they are now Supplied.

And Your Majestys most Loyal and Dutifull Subject and Memorialist as in Duty bound will be ever watchfull to serve his Sovereign and his Country. —

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[p.356]

The case of Edward Bell.

Sheweth.—

That the said Bell was in the late War in a place of Trust, that of Store keeper at Bremen, in which he continued until the stores under his Care were sold by order of Government—

That he did detect a ffraud of 50 p Cent in the Issue of that considerable Article of his Majestys Magazines, He reduced the price of Car. riage 50 p C: The price of Labour 32 p Cent, and saved from the Exchange of the Mony from 8 to 10 p Cent

That by his Extraordinary Care and Assid. uity he did serve and Supply his Majesty's Army when in great want and no other person was found to do it.

That having preferred the public good to any private Gain or Interest to himself and having a large ffamily stands in neede of some provision.—

That at the Close of the office for settling the German Demands, the Clerks and officers Employed in that office had rewards for their Service from £ 100, to 3000 each

That the said Bell not having received any such reward hopes he remains a proper Object of the like Bounty, as a Temporary support until he shall

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be further provided for, and recommended to some moderate Return for the Service he has been able to do his Country.

That the Right Honble General Conway did him the Honour to approve his Conduct and did kindly condescend to Recommend him to Lord Rockingham who [p.056] thought / proper to place him in an old House of his Majesty's in Hyde Park and gave him a place in the Customs as a Temporary Assistance, which being an inadequate Compensation it was his Lordships Pleasure to give him leave of Absence from duty, charging him to be very regular in his Conduct in the Park, and at the same time signified something better should be done for him as soon as Opportunity would Admit, but that the said Bell has not yet had anything further done for him...

That he has been at some Expence and immense Labour and Trouble in repairing and improving the said House and Garden and that his Improve-ments and Conduct has given General satisfaction.

That an Opportunity now offers as a further Assistance and provision for the said Bell and his ffamily by His Majesty's Royal Assent to a Grant of certain waste Lands in the Back parts of His Majesty's Dominion of Virginia and particularly set forth in the said Bells petition hereunto annexed.

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Copy of Certificate

These are to certify that Mr. Edward Bell was appointed Magazine-keeper at Bremen by Thomas Pownall Esquire Director General of Comptrole at the recommendation of Danl. Hier Esquire one of His Majestys Principal Commissaries in which Capacity he did particularly Distinguish himself by his Assiduity, in Supplying the Army according to the orders and Directions given him for that purpose and in every Service the Nature of his Office would Admit of until the Magazines were sold.—

Danl. Hier

[1764]

/Copy a Letter and Certificate—

Mr. Bell,
Sir,

I received Yours of 12 Current Yesterday, with the Extract of a Letter to Mr. Hier dated 24th June 1763; the Contents of which I well remember; I most willingly Grant you the Certificate required and wish it may give any Satisfaction to General Conway, and be of Service to you as I think your Conduct in that Affair Merits Encouragement;— and am wishing You Success

Your most Obedt. humble servt.

Ob: Bourne

These are to Certify that Mr. Edward Bell late Magazine-keeper at Bremen did lay and prove before me the Fraud of 50 p Cent on the Issue of the Magazines

together with the several Savings from the Exchange of the Money, the Wages, Carriage and other Expences Ex-pressed in his Letter to Mr. Weir bearing date 24th. of June 1763. —

Ob: Bourne Major in the Army and Captn. in the Kings or 8th. Regimt.

[N.360]

Endorsed Virginia./ Order of the Committee/ of Council for/ plantation/ Affairs, dated Febry 10./1770, referring to this/ Board, for their consideration,/ a memorial of Edward/Bell, praying, for the/ reasons therein contained,/ that his Ma-jesty would/ be pleased to grant to/ him 120,000 Acres of/ Land upon the Ohio/ River in North America.

Recd
Read Febry 26.} 1770./ A. a. 66.

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[Another Extract of the Letter from Lord Botetourt p. 361
to Lord Hillsborough 18 December 1769.

(Enclosures)

Resolution of the House of Burgesses of p. 365
7 December with Lord Botetourts answer.

Memorial of the House of Burgesses to p. 369
Lord Botetourt.

Address of the Burgesses to the same p. 375
with his answer.

Copy of a Letter from Lord Botetourt to p. 379
John Stuart 18 December 1769.

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[f.303]

To The Right Honourable The Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations,

The Memorial of George Mercer,

Humbly Sheweth;

That your Memorialist on the 18th Day of Decem.ber last, presented a Memorial to your Lordships, pray.ing that no Grant might be made to those Persons, who petitioned for Lands within the Limits prescribed to the Ohio Company, by his late Majesty's Royal Instructions, dated the 16th Day of March 1748/9.

And Whereas your Memorialist, on Behalf of the Ohio Company, has agreed to join with Messrs. Thomas Walpole, Thomas Pownall, Benjamin Franklin, Samuel Wharton and their Associates, for purchasing a new Pro.vince on the River Ohio: He humbly begs Leave to with.draw his said Memorial, as far as it may oppose, or interfere with the Purchase of the Lands proposed, by the aforesaid Messrs Walpole and Associates, and that no farther Delay may be offered to Them, on Account of the Ohio Company.

And your Memorialist will humbly prayre

George Mercer

May the 8th 1770.

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Endorsed Virginia/ Memorial of Col. Mercer,/ setting forth that he has/ agreed, in behalf of the/ Ohio Company, with Messrs./ Walpole, Pownall & others/ for purchasing a new/ province on the River Ohio;/ & therefore that he with-draws/ his former Memorial, containing a Caveat against/ any Grant being made/ to those persons.

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Read May 10} 1770./ A. a. 42.

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To the Right Honourable The Lords Commis.
.sioners for Trade and Plantations

May it Please your Lordships

In humble Obedience to Your Lordships Com.
.mands signified to me by Mr. Pownall. I have perused and considered two Private Acts of Assembly passed by the Governor Council and Burgesses of the Province of Virginia in November 1769. The one Intituled "An "Act to Dock the intail of certain Lands whereof Thomas "Fisher Junior is seised and for settling Slaves of great. "er Value to the same Uses.

The other "An Act to impower the Executors of "the Will of Charles Carter Esqr. to sell part of his "Lands for the payment of his Debts and Legacies.

And I am humbly of Opinion that the said two Acts of Assembly taking the Ffacts therein sever.
-ally stated to be true are proper in point of Law.

All which is humbly submitted to your Lordships Consideration by

My Lords

Your Lordships

most Obed.t

& most hble servant

R.t Jackson

12.d May 1770.

Endorsed

[1.290]

Endorsed Virginia/ Report on two Private Acts of /As-
.sembly of the Province of/ Virginia. The one intituled,
An/ Act to Dock the intail of certain/ Lands whereof Thomas
Fisher/ Junior is seised and for settling/ Slaves of greater
Value to the/ same uses./ The other An Act to impower/
the Executors of the Will of Charles/ Carter Esqr. to sell
part of his/ Lands for the Payment of his/ Debts and
Legacies./ A.a.73./ Recd. May 12.} 1770.
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At the Council Chamber Whitehall
the 25th day of May 1770
By the Right Honourable the Lords of
the Committee of Council for Planta.
.tion Affairs.—

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His Majesty having been pleased by his order in Council of the 25th instant, to refer unto this Com.
.mittee, the humble Memorial of Thomas Walpole, Benja.
.min Franklin, John Sargent and Samuel Wharton, in behalf of themselves and their Associates, setting forth, amongst other things, that they presented a petition to His Majesty in Council for a Grant of Lands in America (parcel of the Lands purchased by Govern.
.ment of the Indians) in consideration of a price to be paid in purchase of the same, that in pur.
.suance of a Suggestion which arose when the said petition was under Consideration of the Lords Commis.
.sioners of Trade and plantations, the Memorialists pre.
.sented a petition to the Lords Commissrs of the Treasury proposing to purchase a large Tract of Land on the River Ohio in America, sufficient for a seperate Gov.
.ernment, whereupon their Lordships were pleased to acquaint the Memorialists that they had no Objec.
.tion to accepting the proposals, made by them, with respect to the purchase Money and Quit Rent to

be paid for the said Tract of Land, if it should be thought Adviseable by those departments of Government to whom it belonged, to Judge of the propriety of the Grant, both in Point of Policy and Justice, that the Grant should be made; In consequence whereof the Memorialists humbly renew their Application that a Grant of said Lands may be made to them reserving therein to all persons their just and legal Rights to any parts or parcels of said Lands which may be comprehended within the Tract [f. 92] / Prayed for by the Memorialists — The Lords of the Committee in Obedience to His Majesty's said Order of reference, this day took the said Memorial together with a particular Description of the said Lands into their Consideration, and are hereby pleased to refer the same (Copies whereof are hereunto annexed) to the Lords Commissioners for Trade and plantations, to whom the said first mentioned petition already stands referred, to consider the whole matter and Report their opinion thereupon to this Committee. —

Steph: Cottrell

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[f. 293]

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty in Council

The humble Memorial of Thomas Walpole Benja.ⁿ Franklin John Sargent and Samuel Wharton in behalf of themselves and their Associates —

Sheweth

That Your Memorialists and others presented a petition to Your Majesty in Council praying a Grant of Lands in America (parcel of the Lands pur. .chased by the Government of the Indians) in Con. -sideration of a price to be paid in purchase of the same —

That the said petition was referred by order of Council to the Lords Commissioners of Trade and Plan. .tations.

That Your Memorialists in pursuance of a Suggestion which arose upon Consideration of the said petition at that Board of making a purchase of a larger Tract of Land sufficient for a seperate Government were directed to apply to the Lords Com. = missioners of the Treasury in respect to the price to be paid for the purchase of such Tract and the Quit Rent to be reserved thereon. —

That Your Memorialists in Consequence thereof did on the 4th day of January last present to the

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said Lords Commissioners of the Treasury a Memorial and paper containing a Description as hereunto an-nexed of the Lands they were desirous of purchas-ing and for which they Offered to pay the Sum of £10.460-7-3 being the whole of the Money paid by Government for all the Lands purchased of the Sia Nations at Fort Stanwix And Your Memorialists did further offer to pay a Quit Rent of 2ˢ for every hundred Acres of Cultivable Land within the said Tract, praying an Exemption from the payment of the said Quit Rent for the Space of Twenty Years [1.296] but offering to pay the said purchase/Money to the Order of the Treasury—

That the said Lords Commissioners of the Treasury after long and full deliberation had there-upon did on the 7ᵗʰ Day of April last Acquaint Your Memorialists that the Board had no objection to ac-cepting the proposition made by Your Memorialists for the said Tract of Land with respect to the pur-chase Money and Quit Rent to be paid for the same, if it shall be thought adviseable by those Depart-ments of Government to whom it belongs to Judge of the propriety of the Grant, both in point of policy and Justice, that the Grant should be made.

In Consequence whereof, Your Memorialists hum-bly renew this Application to Your Majesty, that a

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Grant of said Lands may be made to them reserv-
-ing therein to all persons their Trust and legal
Rights, any parts or parcells of said Lands, which
may be comprehended within the Tract prayed for
by your Memorialists —

Thomas Walpole
B: Franklin
Jn°: Sargent
Sam!: Wharton

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Beginning on the South side of the River Ohio opposite to the Mouth of Sioto, thence Southerly through the pass in the Quasioto Mountains to the South side of the said Mountains thence along the Side of the said Mountains North Easterly to the Fork of the Great Kenhawa made by the Junction of Green Briar and New River, thence along the said Green Briar River on the Easterly side of the same unto the Head or Termination of the North Easterly Branch thereof, thence Easterly to the Allegheny Mountain, thence along the said Alleghe-ny Mountain to Lord Fairfax's Line, thence along the same to the Spring Head of the North Branch of the River Powtomack, thence along the Western Boundary Line of the province of Mary-land to the Southern Boundary Line of the province of pensilvania, Thence along the said Southern Boundary Line of the province of Pen-silvania to the End thereof. Thence along the Western Boundary Line of the said province of pensilvania until the same shall Strike the River Ohio, Thence down the said River Ohio to the place of beginning —

Endorsed

[1.298]

Endorsed Virginia./ Order of the Lords of the/ Committee of Council for Plantation/ Affairs, dated May 25th 1740/ referring to this Board, for/ their consideration & report/ a Memorial of Tho: Walpole & others/ to the King, renew-ing their applikation to His Majesty that a/ Grant of a tract of Land on the back/ of Virginia (with an extension of/ the Limits) may be made to them, reserv-ing therein to all persons/ their just rights to any parts/ of said Land which may be/ comprehended with-in the tract/ petitionid for./ A.a. 46./ Recd June 10.— & Read } 1740.

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The Acco[t] of his Majestys Revenue of 2/ ℔ Hogshead v[e] Arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of October 1766 to the 25th of April 1767.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the receipt of the said Revenue as follows.			
To Balance of the last Acco[t]	£ 2371.	4.	6
The Acco[t] of the Upper District of James River	195.	7.	11
The Acco[t] of the Lower District of James River	343.	5.	2
The Acco[t] of the District of York River	158.	13.	7
The Acco[t] of the District of Rappahannock River	315.	17.	1
The Acco[t] of the District of South Potomack	223.	1.	7
The Acco[t] of the Port of Accomack	35.	17.	9
The Acco[t] of sundry Rights of Land sold	212.	11.	4
The Acco[t] of Fines and Forfeitures	3.	12.	—
	£ 4462.	10.	11
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums.			
By a Warrant for half a years Salary to the Governor	£1000.	—.	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600.	—.	—
By a Warrant to the Judges & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Termin[r]	100.	—.	—
By a Warrant to the Honourable & Reverend Robert Cholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a Years Salary	50.	—.	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esq[r] Solicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100.	—.	—
By a Warrant to Nathaniel Walthoe Esq[r] Clerk of the Council for Ditto	75.	—.	—
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esq[r] his Majesty's Attorney General for Ditto	35.	—.	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a Years Salary	160.	—.	—
By a Warrant to James Anderson Armourer for Ditto	6.	—.	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	12.	10.	—

By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one Gener-al Court and Assembly	28.	—	—
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	193.	12.	4
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	307.	8.	—
By Allowance of ½ ℘ C^t on £1505 .. 16 .. 1 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	7.	10.	7
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 ℘ C^t on £2091 .. 6 .. 5	104.	11.	4
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	104.	11.	4
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to ... £	2884.	3.	7
And there will remain due to Balance this Acc^t	1578 ..	7.	4
£	4462.	10.	11

R^d Corbin D. R. G.

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I have Examined the within Acc^t of his Majestys Revenue Commencing the 25th of October 1766 and ending the 25th of April 1764 and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esq^r Receiver General and find the same truly Stated, and that there is due to his Majestys Reven-ue for Balance thereof one thousand five hundred seventy eight Pounds seven shillings and four Pence Sterling

John Blair D. Aud^r

May the 7th 1764
The within Acc^t Compared and Examined by John Blair Esq^r Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Richard Corbin Esq^r Receiver General.

Fran : Fauquier

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Endorsed Virginia/ Account of His Majestys/ Revenue of 2/ ℘ Hogs-head /from 25 Oct^r 1766 to 25/ April 1764

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The Acco. of his Majesty's Revenue of 2/- p Hogshead &c. arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of April 1766 to the 25th of October 1766.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the receipt of the said Revenue as follows.			
To Balance of the last Acco.	£ 1682.	10.	6
The Acco. of the Upper District of James River	1266.	13.	7
The Acco. of the Lower District of James River	354.	9.	3
The Acco. of the District of York River	798.	15.	8
The Acco. of the District of Rappahannock River	771.	14.	—
The Acco. of the District of South Potomack	617.	16.	3
The Acco. of the Port of Accomack	..	..	..
The Acco. of sundry Rights of Land Sold	130.	8.	8
The Acco. of Fines and Forfeitures	....	....	..
	£ 5622.	6.	11
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums.			
By a Warrant for half a Years Salary to the Governor	£1000.	—	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Judges Clerks & other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Term.	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Honble and Reverend Robert Cholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a Years Salary	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esq. Solicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to Peyton Randolph Esq. his Majestys Attorney General for Ditto	85.	—	—
By a Warrant to Nath. Walthoe Esq. Clerk of the Council for D.	75.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a years Salary	160.	—	—
By a Warrant to James Anderson Armourer for Ditto	6.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	12.	10.	—

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By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court	10 -	— ..	—
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	467 ..	16 ..	6
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	224 ..	8 ..	11
By allowance of ½ ℔ Ct. on £3173 .. 11 .. — for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	15 ..	7 -	4
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 ℔ Ct. on £3939 .. 16 .. 5.	196 ..	19 ..	10
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	196 ..	19 ..	10
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to ..... £	3251 ..	2 .	5
And there will remain due to Balance this Acco.t	2371 -	4 .	6
£	5622 .	6 ..	11

R.d Corbin D.R.G

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I have Examined the within Acco.t of his Majesty's Revenue Commencing the 25.th of April 1766 and ending the 25th of October 1766 and have compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esq.r Receiver General and find the same truly Stated, and that there is due to his Majesty's Revenue for Balance thereof two thousand three hundred seventy one Pounds four Shillings and Six Pence Sterling

John Blair D. Aud.r

Nov.r 7th. 1766

The within Acco.t Compared and Examined by John Blair Esq.r Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Richard Corbin Esq.r Receiver General.

Fran : Fauquier

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Endorsed Virginia / Account of his Majesty's / Revenue of 2/ ℔ Hogshead / from 25 April to 25 Oct.r / 1766. / A. A. 4.

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The Acco: of his Majestys Revenue of 2/- ℔ Hogshead vc Arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of April 1768 to the 25th of October 1768.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows			
To Balance of the last Acco:	£ 967.	1.	5
The Acco: of the Upper District of James River	1128.	9.	8
The Acco: of the Lower District of James River	427.	11.	6
The Acco: of the District of York River	573.	11.	4
The Acco: of the District of Rapahannock River	712.	16.	11
The Acco: of the District of South Potomack	486.	15.	—
The Acco: of the Port of Accomack	——.	—.	—
The Acco: of Sundry Rights of Land Sold	160.	6.	—
The Acco: of Fines and Forfeitures	59.	—.	10
£	4515.	12.	8
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums.—			
By a Warrant for half a Years Salary to the Governor	£1000.	—.	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council	600.	—.	—
By a Warrant to the Judges and other officers of a Court of Oyer and Terminer	100.	—.	—
By a Warrant to the Honourable & Reverend Robert Chalmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a Years Salary	50.	—.	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esq: Solicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100.	—.	—
By a Warrant to John Randolph Esq: his Majestys Attorney General for Ditto	35.	—.	—
By a Warrant to Nathaniel Walthoe Esq: Clerk of the Council for Ditto	75.	—.	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a Years Salary	160.	—.	—
By a Warrant to James Anderson Armourer for Ditto	6.	—.	—
By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	12.	10.	—
By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court	8.	—.	—
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House	91.	12.	—

By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	979-	7
By Allowance of ½ ℔ C^{t} on £ 2726 . 11 . 10 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	13-	6
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 ℔ C^{t} on £ 3548 . 11 . 3	177-	8
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	177-	8
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to	£ 3586-	9-
And there will remain due to Balance this Acco^{t}	929-	3-
Rd. Corbin D: R: G.	£ 4515-	12-

I have Examined the within Acco^{t} of his Majestys Revenue Commencing the 25th of April 1768 and ending the 25th of October following and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esq^{r} Receiver General and find the same truly Stated, and that there is due to his Majesty's Revenue for Balance thereof nine hundred twenty nine Pounds three Shillings and five Pence Sterling

John Blair D. Aud^{r}

Nov^{r} 4th 1768

The within Acco^{t} Compared and Examind by John Blair Esq^{r} Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Richard Corbin Esq^{r} Receiver General. —

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Endorsed Acco^{t} 2 S. ℔ Hogshead re/ from April 25th 1768 to Oct^{r} 25th/ due to Revenue/ £ 925 . 3 . 5/ In Lord Botetourt's (N^{o} 4) / of 12 Nov^{r} 1768

[pp. 185 – 187 are the same as above]

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f. 189 [John Randolph, Attorney General to Lord Botetourt
20 Dec. 1768. Copied in C.O.5. 1347. f. 103.]

f. 192 Endorsed Att. Gen.l Randolph to Lord Botetourt/ In Lord Botetourt's (N.6) of 20 Dec. 1768/ Read Dec. 6. 1769./ A. a. 33

f. 193 [Lord Botetourt to Hillsborough 22 December 1768
N.7 Copied in C.O.5. 1347. f. 107 dated 26 Dec.]

f. 196 Endorsed Virginia/ Williamsburg 22d. Dec. 1768/ Lord Bote. -tourt (N.7) R. 10 Feb.y/ The Dupe. of the Letter/ was received the 9th. Inst./ but without the Inclosure/ Read Dec. 6. 1769/ A. a. 34

f. 197 [Memorial of John Henry to to Lord Botetourt
Copied in C.O.5. 1347. f. 45]

f. 200 Endorsed Virginia/ Memorial of John Henry/ to Lord Botetourt./ In Lord Botetourt's/ (N.5) of 24 Nov. 1768/ Read Dec. 6. 1769./ A. a. 36

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The Acco.t of his Majestys Revenue of Quitrents &c. Arising within this Colony of Virginia for the Year 1767.

The Receiver General doth charge himself with the Receipt of the said Revenue as follows

To Balance of the last Acco.t	£ 14667.	4.	4
To the Quitrents of the Northern Neck for the year 1767	6.	13.	4
To the Accot. of Compositions for Escheated Lands	2.	17.	9

Quitrents for the Year 1767.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money			Sheriffs Allowances			Amount		
Amelia	375185	£375.	3.	9	£37.	10.	4	£337.	13.	5
Augusta	270000	£270.	—.	—	£27.	—.	—	243.	—.	—
Albemarle	100000	£100.	—.	—	£10.	—.	—	90.	—.	—
Accomack	160000	£160.	—.	—	£16.	—.	—	144.	—.	—
Amherst	261018	£261.	—.	4	£26.	2.	—	234.	18.	4
Brunswick	270000	£270.	—.	—	£27.	—.	—	243.	—.	—
Bedford										
Buckingham	80000	£80.	—.	—	£8.	—.	—	72.	—.	—
Caroline	200000	£200.	—.	—	£20.	—.	—	180.	—.	—
Charles City										
Cumberland	120000	£120.	—.	—	£12.	—.	—	108.	—.	—
Chesterfield	230000	£230.	—.	—	£23.	—.	—	207.	—.	—
Charlotte	85000	£85.	—.	—	£8.	10.	—	76.	10.	—
Dinwiddie	271199	£271.	4.	—.	£27.	2.	5	244.	1.	7
Elizabeth City	31154	£31.	3.	1	£3.	2.	3	28.	—.	10
Essex	143592	£143.	11.	10	£14.	7.	2	129.	4.	8
Gloucester	160000	£160.	—.	—	£16.	—.	—	144.	—.	—
Goochland	85000	£85.	—.	—	£8.	10.	—	76.	10.	—
Hanover	230000	£230.	—.	—	£23.	—.	—	207.	—.	—
Henrico										
Halifax	40000	£40.	—.	—	£4.	—.	—	36.	—.	—
James City										
Isle of Wight	130000	£130.	—.	—	£13.	—.	—	117.	—.	—
King William										
King & Queen										
Louisa										
Lunenburgh	140000	£140.	—.	—	£14.	—.	—	126.	—.	—
Middlesex	77470	£77.	9.	5	£7.	14.	11	69.	14.	6
Mecklenburgh	253396	£253.	7.	11	£25.	6.	9	228.	1.	2
Nansemond	179413	£179.	8.	3	£17.	18.	10	161.	9.	5
Norfolk	151779	£151.	15.	7	£15.	3.	6	136.	12.	1
Northampton	100000	£100.	—.	—	£10.	—.	—	90.	—.	—
New Kent	25000	£25.	—.	—	£2.	10.	—	22.	10.	—
Orange										
Prince George	149764	£149.	15.	3	£14.	19.	6	134.	15.	9

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount.					
Princess Anne ...	.....	....	... .	... .					
Prince Edward ..	.....	... .	... .	... .					
Pittsylvania	20000	£20. — —	£2. — —	18. — —					
Spotsylvania ...	50000	£50. — —	£5. — —	45. — —					
Surry	120000	£120. — —	£12. — —	108. — —					
Southampton ...	140000	£140. — —	£14. — —	126. — —					
Sussex	130000	£130. — —	£13. — —	117. — —					
Warwick	.....	... .	... .	... .					
York	35000	£35. — —	£3. 10. —	31. 10. —				£332.	11. 9
								£1900	9. 2

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Arrears of Quitrents Paid in the Year 1764.

Counties Names	Number of Acres paid for	Paid in Money	Sheriffs Allowances	Amount					
Augusta 1766	150000	£150. — —	£15. — —	£135. — —					
Brunswick .. 1766	100000	£100. — —	£10. — —	90. — —					
Buckingham. 1766	25000	£25. — —	£2. 10. —	22. 10. —					
Ditto 1765	25000	£25. — —	£2. 10. —	22. 10. —					
Caroline 1766	100000	£100. — —	£10. — —	90. — —					
Charlotte 1766	95370	£95. 7. 5	£9. 10. 9	85. 16. 8					
Elizabeth City 1766	31134	£31. 2. 8	£3. 2. 3	28. — 5					
Gloucester .. 1764	6850	£6. 17. —	£ — 13. 8	6. 3. 4					
Ditto 1763	1655	£1. 13. 1	£ — 3. 4	1. 9. 9					
Halifax 1766	40000	£40. — —	£4. — —	36. — —					
Ditto 1764	171688	£171. 13. 9	£17. 3. 4	154. 10. 5					
Ditto 1760	30000	£30. — —	£3. — —	27. — —					
Isle of Wight. 1764	60820	£60. 16. 5	£6. 1. 8	54. 14. 9					
Ditto ... 1763	1612	£1. 12. 3	£ — 3. 3	1. 9. —					
Mecklenburgh 1766	77411	£77. 8. 3	£7. 14. 9	69. 13. 6					
Nansemond. 1766	8540	£8. 10. 10	£ — 17. 1	7. 13. 9					
New Kent ... 1766	70000	£70. — —	£7. — —	63. — —					
Orange 1766	70236	£70. 4. 9	£7. — 6	63. 4. 3					
Princess Anne 1766	126493	£126. 9. 10	£12. 12. 11	113. 16. 11					
Surry 1766	44220	£44. 4. 5	£4. 8. 5	39. 16. —					
Sussex 1766	158145	£158. 2. 11	£15. 16. 3	142. 6. 8					
Warwick ... 1766	42752	£42. 15. —	£4. 5. 6	38. 9. 6				1293.	4. 11
Received of sundry Persons in several Counties ...								102.	17. 3
								£2040.	11. 4

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The Receiver General doth Discharge himself			
By paid to the Honourable and Reverend Robert Cholmondeley on his Majestys Warrant one Years Allowance ending the 25th of October 1768 ..... £	150.	—	—
By paid to James Abercrombie Esqr on his Majestys Warrant one Years Allowance ending the 21st Septr 68	200.	—	—
By paid to the Administrator of Mr Commissary Robinson for his Salary to the time of his Death	19.	11.	6
By paid to Mr Commissary Horrocks on his Majes. -tys Warrant for his Salary to the 25th of Oc. -tober 1768	80.	5.	6
By two Warrants to the Attorney General for one Years Salary ending the 25th of October 1768	70.	—	—
By paid to John Blair Esqr pursuant to a Minute of the Lords of the Treasury dated Decr 10th 1767	1230.	—	—
By Allowance of ½ pCt for Negotiating the Bills of Exchange in London	28.	13.	10
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 pCt on £5738. 7. —	286.	18.	4
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	286.	18.	4
So that the Sum Disburst amounts to ... £	2352.	10.	6
And there will remain due to Balance this Acct	18053.	—	10
£	20405.	11.	4

Rd Corbin D. R. G.

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/I have Examined the within Acco.t of his Majestys Revenue of Quitrents for the Year 1764 and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esq.r Receiver General and find the Charge thereof amounting to twenty thousand four hundred five Pounds eleven Shillings & four Pence and the Discharge to two thousand three hundred fifty two Pounds ten Shillings and six Pence both truly Stated So that there is due to his Majestys Revenue for Balance of this Acco.t eighteen thousand fifty three Pounds and ten Pence Sterling.

John Blair D. Aud.r

Dec.r 16th 1768

The within Acco.t Compared and Examined by John Blair Esq.r Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Richard Corbin Esq.r Receiver General.

Botetourt

Endorsed Quit rent Account for the/ Year 1764./ In Lord Botetourts (N.o 6) of 20 Dec.r 1768/ Read Dec.r 6. 1769./ A.a. 37.

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The Acco[t] of his Majesty's Revenue of 2/- ℔ Hogshead &c arising within this Colony of Virginia from the 25th of October 1768 to the 25th of April following.

The Receiver General doth Charge himself with the receipt of the said Revenue as follows.			
To Balance of the last Acco[t] ..... £	929.	3.	5
The Acco[t] of the Upper District of James River	922.	8.	8
The Acco[t] of the Lower District of James River	351.	18.	5
The Acco[t] of the District of York River	303.	10.	6
The Acco[t] of the District of Rappahannock River	220.	5.	11
The Acco[t] of the District of South Potomack	263.	16.	6
The Acco[t] of the Port of Accomack	48.	7.	6
The Acco[t] of sundry Rights of Land sold	182.	4.	8
The Acco[t] of Fines and Forfeitures	"	"	"
So that the whole Receipt amounts to ..... £	3221.	15.	7
And there will remain due to the Receiver General to Balance this Acco[t]	536.	8.	7
£	3758.	4.	2
The Receiver General doth Discharge himself By the Payment of the following Sums.			
By a Warrant for half a Years Salary to the Governor . £	1000.	—	—
By a Warrant for Ditto to the Gentlemen of the Council ..	600.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Judges and other Officers of a Court of Oyer & Terminer	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Honourable and Reverend Robert Cholmondeley Auditor of the Plantations for half a Years Salary	50.	—	—
By a Warrant to James Abercrombie Esq[r] Solicitor of the Virginia Affairs for Ditto	100.	—	—
By a Warrant to John Randolph Esq[r] his Majesty's Attorney General for Ditto	35.	—	—
By a Warrant to Nath[l] Walthoe Esq[r] Clerk of the Council for Ditto	75.	—	—
By a Warrant to the Adjutants for half a Years Salary ..	160.	—	—
By a Warrant to James Anderson Armourer for Ditto ...	6.	—	—

By a Warrant to the Gunners of the Batteries for Ditto	12.	10.	—
By a Warrant to the Ministers attending one General Court	8.	—.	—
By a Warrant for Repairs done to the Governors House ...	324.	4.	11
By a Warrant for Contingent Charges	1053.	18.	11
By Allowance of ½ ℔ᶜ on £850. 2. 4 for Negotiating the same in Bills of Exchange in London	4.	5.	—
By Allowance to the Auditor at 5 ℔ᶜ on £2292 .12.2	114.	12.	8
By Allowance to the Receiver General on the same Sum	114.	12.	8
£	3758.	4.	2

R.ᵈ Corbin D.R.G.

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I have Examined the within Accᵒ of his Majestys Revenue commencing the 25th of October 1768 and ending the 25th of April following and have Compared every Article with its proper Voucher produced by Richard Corbin Esqr. Receiver General and find the same truly Stated. and that there is due to the said Receiver General for Balance thereof five hundred thirty six Pounds eight Shillings and seven Pence Sterling

John Blair D. Audr.

May 11th 1769

The within Accᵒ Compared and Examined by John Blair Esqr. Deputy Auditor was produced to me in Council and Sworn to by Richard Corbin Esqr. Receiver General.

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Endorsed Receiver Generals / Account of the amount / of the Revenue of 2 S. / ℔ᵗ Hogsᵈ. – from the 25th / of Oct. to the 25th of April – / Read Decr. 6. 1769 / A. a. 54.